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## THE COASTING RACE.

THE New York Athletic Club is to the front with yet another novelty in the form of a coasting race. The idea originated at the recent dinner of some of the wheeling element, held at the New York Club, on Fifth avenue. In discussing the relative racing abilities of those present, one rider, who possesses more avoirdupois than speed, remarked that if he was not a scorcher on the flat, he could beat the average wheelman down hill. The ease with which such a contest could be undertaken, at once commended the project to the many old-timers present, and the result was the announcement of the coasting race, under the New York Athletic Club auspices, open to members only, which has, up to date, received a phenomenal entry of an entirely different class from the usual racers, as a glance at the list of those entered shows. The race will not take place until May 23, and the course has not yet been selected. The following are the entries to date:

Robert M. Thompson, John C. Gulick, C. H. Wilcox, Knight L. Clapp, A. H. Curtis, John B. Yates, John D. Reynolds, James S. Burdett, Louis H. Orr, N. E. Gouldey, T. Hamilton Burch, E. P. Reynolds, W. L. Nulter, George Strong Daniels, M. M. Belding, Jr., Walter S. Wilson, J. W. Spalding, J. W. Carter, W. E. McCredy, Wesley F. Smith, Louis D. W. Seaman, B. W. B. Brown, M. G. Perli, Carl Mayhoff, H. G. Barnard, Arthur E. Troughton, J. G. Gilpatrick, Harry Howard, W. H. McCormack, J. C. Howard, W. H. Kehpnek, F. O. Myrick, Frank C. Elgar, H. A. Smith, John C. Baird, Elliott Mason, W. F. Pendleton, Charles C. Macy, W. G. Bates, Douglas Henry, C. E. Gudebrod, C. E. Williams, Ernest Thorp, George B. Vanderpool, Irwin A. Powell, J. H. Hanson, F. E. Himrod, L. M. Hurd, Frank O. Roe, Fred. Vilmar, D. M. Stern, Richard Nelson, Elliott Burris, Theodore Burris, C. K. Alley, W. P. Whyland, J. S. Wood, J. E. Domschke, Jr., F. W. Howard, J. E. Leech, T. T. Wilcox, W. D. Wright, George Hamilton Dean, Fritz von Bermuth, Jr., Edward Weinacht, Olin J. Stephens, G. M. Hammond, C. L. Dana.

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ONE of the most interesting features of the Sportsmen's Exposition held in Madison Square Garden last month was a loan exhibit of trophies and prizes. The New York Athletic Club contribution was the cynosure of all eyes. The prizes won in various branches of sport by Mr. George J. Gould and Mr. Howard Gould were also much admired.

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THE dates for the spring and fall games of the New York Athletic Club are June 13 and September 26, at Travers Island.




THE first important contest in the season's fencing resulted in an easy victory for the New York Athletic Club team, the gymnasium being well filled when the team contest at foils took place in the New York Athletic Club-house. Unusual interest was taken in the competition as a team from Harvard College appeared to contest against the Fencers' Club and the New York A. C. for the championship honor. The collegians were, of course, young and lacked experience necessary to defeat such practiced opponents as the New York men. Their work, however, showed great promise, and proved that the fine sport is obtaining a foothold in the colleges of the country, which will eventually make it one of the national pastimes. The cup offered at the institution of the championship had been won outright by the New York Athletic Club team. Mr. Samuel T. Shaw, whose generosity has become a by-word in the fencing department, presented a most handsome silver cup, which we produce here, and trust may also become the property of the New York Athletic Club. The cup is a Greek vase, the handles being particu-



larly artistic and appropriate, consisting of fencing masks and foils. A design of laurel leaves on the upper part of the front is also neatly worked out. The cup was made to order by R. Wallace & Son for Mr. Shaw. The following are the scores by rounds:

First Round—New York A. C., 15.80; Fencers' Club, 10.91; Harvard, 10.66.

Second Round—New York A. C., 30.88; Fencers' Club, 22.47; Harvard, 19.74.

Third Round—New York A. C., 46.29; Fencers' Club, 40.22; Harvard, 26.97.

Fourth Round—New York A. C., 62.52; Fencers' Club, 51.78; Harvard, 34.58.

Fifth Round—New York A. C., 81.09; Fencers' Club, 62.48; Harvard, 46.13.



MR. S. T. SHAW.

Sixth Round—New York A. C., 97.63; Fencers' Club, 77.60; Harvard, 52.70.

The competing teams were made up as follows:

Harvard University Fencing Club—A. G. Thatcher, J. E. Hoffman and J. P. Parker.

Fencers' Club of New York—A. V. Z. Post, Fitzhugh Townsend and G. Bettini.

New York A. C.—R. O. Haubold, C. G. Bothner and Georges Kavanagh.

# CYCLING

## THE PENDLETON PRIZE.

WITH the idea of encouraging and increasing constant road riding, Mr. W. F. Pendleton has presented to the Bicycle Committee a solid silver loving cup, to be known as "The Bicycle Daily Five-Mile Road Cup," to be competed for by residents and life members between the first of May and the thirtieth of September, 1896, the prize to be awarded to the member riding the greatest number of days in that period, not less than five miles a day. The committee have drawn up the following rules for competition:

**First—All contestants shall make entry in writing on or before April 20, 1896.**

**Second—Hours of riding, from 5 o'clock a. m. to 10 o'clock p. m.**

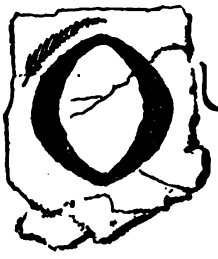
**Third—Each ride must be made on the road and not less than five miles.**

**Fourth—Reports must be made in writing to the Bicycle Committee on the first and fifteenth of each month, and must show the time of departure on each ride.**

**Fifth—All distances must be measured by cyclometer, and the report must state where each ride is made.**

**Sixth—In case of a tie, the contest will be continued from month to month between those tied, upon the same conditions, until decided.**

THE competitive feature will be noticeable in club cycling this season. In addition to the Pendleton prize, there is the Barron prize for the most number of trips to Travers Island during March, April and May, and the coasting race on May 23. The Citizens' Cup will, as usual, be competed for over a fifteen-mile course. The Bicycle Committee will have no sinecure this season in arranging and controlling these events and others which may spring up before the end of the year.



# UR OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

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## TRAVERS ISLAND.

May 23.—Opening Day.

April 11.—Vaudeville in Gymnasium.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

April 4.—Vaudeville in Gymnasium.

April 18.—Aquatic Entertainment in Natatorium, 8.30 p. m.

## CROSS COUNTRY.

April 18.—Open Handicap Under the Auspices of the New York A. C. Atlantic Hotel, Fort George, 6 p. m.

## CYCLING.

May 23.—Coasting Race. Open to Members.

## BOXING.

April 25.—Boxing Entertainment in Gymnasium.

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## RECORD OF THE NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB BOWLING TEAM.

ATHLETIC BOWLING LEAGUE—SEASON 1895–96.

| | Games. | Total Pins. | Games Average. | Average at Home. | Average Abroad. | Strikes. | Spares. | Breaks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 28 | 4818 | 172 2-28 | 173 | 171 2-14 | 75 | 134 | 71 |
| Cowperthwait | 28 | 4763 | 170 3-28 | 181 2-14 | 159 1-14 | 59 | 159 | 62 |
| Clute | 26 | 4553 | 175 3 26 | 189 7-12 | 161 10-14 | 74 | 121 | 65 |
| Brown | 26 | 4495 | 172 23-26 | 171 3-12 | 174 2-14 | 73 | 120 | 67 |
| Bell | 16 | 2640 | 165 | 168 2-6 | 163 | 32 | 83 | 45 |
| Shaw | 8 | 1540 | 192 4-8 | 192 4-8 | ..... | 31 | 41 | 8 |
| Toussaint | 4 | 598 | 149 2-4 | 156 1-2 | 142 1-2 | 9 | 15 | 16 |
| More | 2 | 296 | 148 | 148 | ..... | .. | 12 | 8 |
| Legien | 2 | 294 | 147 | ..... | 147 | 6 | 4 | 10 |
| Team | 28 | 24001 | 857 5-28 | 889 2-14 | 825 3-14 | 359 | 689 | 352 |

## WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

EVERY year the interest in the wrestling department of the club increases, and the exponents of the art become more adept. It was, therefore, not surprising that the club championship on March 12 and 14 attracted a large crowd to the gymnasium. The frequent tussles in preliminary work had served, in a measure, to demonstrate the superiority of some of the entries, and this probably had a deterrent effect on the poorer men, when the day of competition arrived. Those, however who did compete gave such splendid exhibitions that the spectators were well rewarded for attending.

The protracted struggles of last season, which had such a depressing effect upon those who witnessed them, actuated the committee to revise the rules. This year, instead of having the competitors wrestle until a fall was gained, it was made imperative on the referee to give a decision on the best work done after two bouts had been wrestled without a fall. In many instances the referee was forced to award a decision under this ruling when there was scarcely sufficient difference between the work of the two men to warrant it. The general idea prevailed that, in future, it should be in the discretion of the referee to award the prize for best work, or to order another round, until one man had demonstrated a decided superiority.

The 125-pound class was won by T. Avery Collett, who has had a long career as an athlete in many branches of sport. The work of C. C. Turner, who was victorious in both the 135-pound and 145-pound competition, was extremely briliant. He had no difficulty in throwing his opponent in the lighter weight, but J. E. Leech pressed him very hard for the championship honor in the 145-pound class. Another dual winner, E. Weinacht, showed remarkable activity for a man of his weight. He was not only able to win the middle-weight class on the best work, but finally won the heavy-weight contest, which was postponed until March 21. The following were the officials: G. H. B. Mitchell, referee; Robert Stoll and J. H. Abeel, Jr., time keepers; Dr. B. F. O'Connor, master of ceremonies.

The summaries:

ONE-HUNDRED-AND-FIFTEEN-POUND CLASS.

Final bout, H. S. Thompson defeated T. Avery Collett after 4 minutes 44 seconds' wrestling.

Previous champion, Dr. H. E. Stafford.

ONE-HUNDRED-AND-TWENTY-FIVE-POUND SPECIAL CLASS.

First bout won by W. F. S. Hart, who threw Dr. H. E. Stafford with an arm roll after 11 minutes 40 seconds.

Second bout, T. Avery Collett, a bye.

Final bout won by T. Avery Collett, who threw W. F. S. Hart with a leg hold in 3 minutes 21 seconds.

Previous champion, Richard Stevens.

ONE-HUNDRED-AND-THIRTY-FIVE-POUND CLASS.

First bout, C. C. Turner threw J. F. Taylor with a flying fall in 4 minutes 2 seconds.

Second bout won by Dr. H. E. Stafford, who defeated E. Thorpe on work after 12 minutes' wrestling.

Final bout won by C. C. Turner, who threw Dr. H. E. Stafford with a half-Nelson lock after 5 minutes 6 seconds.

Bout for second prize was won by J. F. Taylor, who threw Dr. Stafford with a back hammer and half Nelson after 1 minute and 49 seconds.

Previous champion, C. B. Davison.

ONE-HUNDRED-AND-FORTY-FIVE-POUND CLASS.

First bout, C. C. Turner defeated W. H. Page on work after 12 minutes' wrestling.

Second bout, J. E. Leech, a bye.

Final bout, C. C. Turner threw J. E. Leech after 9 minutes and 10 seconds.

List of champions—1894, J. G. Gilpatrick; 1895, W. H. Page, Jr.; 1896, C. C. Turner.

ONE-HUNDRED-AND-FIFTY-EIGHT-POUND CLASS.

First bout, Dr. Leonard W. Ely defeated W. H. Page, Jr., on work after 12 minutes' wrestling without a fall.

Second bout, E. Weinacht threw J. E. Leech with a leg and body hold after 5 minutes 17 seconds.

Final bout won by Edward Weinacht, who defeated Dr. Leonard W. Ely on work after 20 minutes' wrestling.

Bout for second prize was won by Dr. Leonard W. Ely, J. E. Leech retiring after 9 minutes' wrestling, owing to a strained shoulder.

List of champions—1894, E. Weinacht; 1895, J. Keppler and Dr. Leonard W. Ely, a tie; 1896, E. Weinacht.

HEAVYWEIGHT CLASS.

First bout, E. W. Brooks threw E. P. Burnett with a half Nelson and leg hold after 1 minute's wrestling.

Second bout, E. Weinacht threw B. E. French with a quick body hold after 28 seconds.

Final bout, E. Weinacht threw E. W. Brooks after 8 minutes 47 seconds' wrestling.

List of champions—1894, C. H. Enos, Jr.; 1895, C. J. Kintner; 1896, E. Weinacht.



## CHAMPIONS AGAIN.

ONCE again the New York Athletic Club team has won the Athletic Bowling League Championship. It used to be considered quite in the proper order of things for the New York A. C. bowlers to capture this event, but after winning it three years in succession they failed in 1893, and lost the honor again in 1894. The present series has been recorded in the JOURNAL from time to time, and has been so exciting in character that the deciding games to settle the tie with the Roseville A. A. for first position, attracted several hundred spectators to the Jersey City Athletic Club alleys, in spite of the fact that the weather was inclement and the snow in the wilds of Jersey nearly a foot deep. The "rooters" for the mercury foot were not so numerous as the supporters of the Roseville A. A., who seemed to have the whole village at its back; what they lacked in numbers they easily made up in force. Among them were: Eugene H. Pomeroy, Samuel Stewart, P. G. Wilmarth, Fred. Vilmar, Herman E. Toussaint, Louis H. Legien, George M. Breck, T. I. Lee, T. Morton, Arthur R. Pope, A. H. Seaman, M. P. Halpin, Frank Blackhurst, F. D. Sturges, W. G. Oakes, C. H. Harriot, R. T. Lyons, A. L. Paynter and F. D. Ames.

The games were well worth the visit to the Jersey battle ground, and the New York boys acquitted themselves nobly, winning the final game in a manner that showed they were decidedly the superiors of the Roseville men, who pluckily fought to the bitter end.

A most unnecessary series of games was subsequently rolled between the first and second teams for a trophy which may be styled the "Temple Cup." The New York team having won the championship, played somewhat carelessly and were not particular about putting their full strength in the field. The Rosevilles won the deciding game. It will be better in future to have this series as a consolation between the second and third teams. The scores of the deciding games are:

Jersey City A. C. alleys, March 11.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. ROSEVILLE A. A.

FIRST GAME.

| NEW YORK A C | S. | S. | B. | E. | Sc. | ROSEVILLE A. C. | S. | S. | B. | E. | Sc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter..... | 1 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 161 | Wood..... | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 152 |
| Cowperthw't | 6 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 180 | Sayre..... | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 164 |
| Bell..... | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 181 | Badger..... | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 173 |
| Brown..... | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 166 | Woodruff... | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 149 |
| Clute..... | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 182 | Van Ness.. | 3 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 175 |
| Totals.... | 18 | 20 | 9 | 5 | 870 | Totals... | 15 | 19 | 9 | 7 | 812 |

SECOND GAME.

| NEW YORK A. C. | S. | S. | B. | E. | Sc. | ROSEVILLE A. A. | S. | S. | B. | E. | Sc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter..... | 1 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 157 | Wood..... | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 195 |
| Cowperthw't | 5 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 193 | Sayre..... | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 163 |
| Bell..... | 0 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 146 | Badger..... | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 182 |
| Brown..... | 1 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 161 | Woodruff... | 3 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 172 |
| Clute..... | 2 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 172 | Van Ness.. | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 201 |
| Totals.... | 11 | 27 | 8 | 7 | 829 | Totals.... | 15 | 28 | 2 | 5 | 913 |

THIRD GAME.

| NEW YORK A. C. | S. | S. | B. | E. | Sc. | ROSEVILLE A. A. | S. | S. | B. | E. | Sc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter..... | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 187 | Wood..... | 3 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 178 |
| Cowperthw't | 2 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 181 | Sayre..... | 1 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 159 |
| Bell..... | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 189 | Badger..... | 2 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 171 |
| Brown..... | 6 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 195 | Woodruff... | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 150 |
| Clute..... | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 179 | Van Ness.. | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 198 |
| Totals.... | 16 | 27 | 3 | 4 | 931 | Totals.... | 10 | 31 | 6 | 3 | 856 |

THE club bowling championship attracted the large entry of thirty-three members, scarcely half of whom qualified for the final games. In the preliminary trials an average of 160 was necessary. W. F. Shaw headed the list with the fine average of 189 3-5. The grand average of the sixteen men who qualified is 175 3-16, a brilliant showing, which it is doubtful if any other organization can duplicate. To decide the championship every player has to play three games with every other man left in. The following are the qualifying scores:

| Name. | Total. | Aver. | Name. | Total. | Aver. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| W. F. Shaw. | 948 | 189 3-5 | H. P. Brown. | 865 | 173 |
| J. W. Carter. | 939 | 187 1-5 | W. Schafner. | 858 | 171 3-5 |
| H. E. Tous'nt | 931 | 186 1-5 | J. H. Bell.... | 850 | 170 |
| F. M. Clute.. | 902 | 180 2-5 | Cowperthw't. | 845 | 169 |
| M. E. More.. | 892 | 178 2 5 | L. H. Seaman | 844 | 168 4-5 |
| F. D. Ames.. | 889 | 177 4-5 | R. T. Lyons. | 841 | 168 1-5 |
| T. E. Belts.. | 879 | 175 4-5 | P. Wilmarth. | 835 | 167 |
| F. Vilmar... | 867 | 173 2 5 | A.L.Paynter. | 833 | 166 3-5 |

## HAND-TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

THE initial hand-tennis tournament was brought to a successful conclusion last month. The first round brought out a dark horse in E. Elsworth, who was in receipt of eight aces handicap. Mr. Elsworth was very indifferent about entering the competition as he had been out of practice for several years, but when once in the running, his form improved so rapidly that he was immediately selected as the probable winner. The popular exponent of the game, J. Handball Haslin, however, gave him an excellent fight for the cup in the final series, which consisted of the best three out of five games. Haslin won the first game, while Elsworth wanted four points of his necessary 17. The second game was a hard-fought one, but Elsworth's handicap put him out while the scratch man still needed six points. The one defeat seemed to unnerve Champion Haslin, and Elsworth beat him on actual scores in the third and fourth games, winning the rubber and tournament.

The success of the first competion is a tribute to the shrewdness of the Athletic Committee in organizing it, and it will no doubt be the forerunner of many similar competitions.

The following are the full scores by innings:

FINAL ROUND.

FIRST GAME.

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Haslin | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8—25 |
| Elsworth | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | x—13 |

SECOND GAME.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Elsworth | 5 | 7 | 2 | 3—17 |
| Haslin | 5 | 5 | 9 | x—19 |

THIRD GAME.

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Haslin | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3—13 |
| Elsworth | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6—17 |

FOURTH GAME.

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Elsworth | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2—17 |
| Haslin | 1 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | x—11 |



AQUATIC sports have been steadily growing in favor in the club during the past month. The entertainment on ladies' day was so successful that the committee has arranged a club meeting for the evening of April 18, concontaining a number of exhibitions and competitions, for which prizes are offered. Nearly all of these bear the charm of novelty, and those who are fortunate enough to occupy a space around the tank on the evening of the entertainment, are sure of an enjoyable evening's sport. The present Water-Polo Committee bear the brunt of the work, and deserve commendation for the energy which they have displayed in inaugurating this new feature. The following is the proposed programme:

**Handicap swimming race, six lengths of tank (132 yards), two prizes.**

**Fishing contest for the human tarpon (time limit, 30 minutes).**

**Exhibition of fancy swimming by Instructor Gus Sundstrom.**

**Diving competition:**

**a Plunging, . . . 3 trials.**
**b Diving for objects, . 1 trial.**
**c Diving through hoops, 3 trials.**
**d Running dive from springboard, . . 3 trials.**
**e Fancy diving, . . 3 trials. Three prizes.**

**Eating, drinking and smoking under water by**
**Instructor Sundstrom,**
**Mr. C. E. Knoblauch**
**Mr. W. E. Dickey,**
**Mr. F. J. Wells.**

**Undressing-in-the-water competition, . One prize.**

**Exhibition by**
**Mr. C. J. Kintner,**
**Mr. Normandie Murray.**

**Fancy costume hurdle race (two lengths of tank), One prize.**

### WATER POLO.

The water-polo games played during the month have attracted large attendances. In many instances the sides have been changed during the progress of the games, and it is impossible to correctly report them. In some instances, the second halves have been omitted and general practice indulged in, to remedy defects in play, and instruct the inexperienced players in the fine points of the game.

# General Athletics

## AN OPEN HANDICAP.

WITH the idea of encouraging cross-country running, a sport which has languished for some years past, the New York Athletic Club will give an open cross-country handicap on Saturday, April 18, 1896. As there are very few practised cross-country runners in training now the course laid out will be as easy as possible, and the distance only five miles. Travers Island was at first suggested as the starting point, but the committee considered it wiser to go to Fort George, where the course is better known and more accessible.

In order that competitors may be able to run without leaving their business at an unusual hour, the time of starting has been fixed at 6 p.m. sharp. Handsome silver prizes have been purchased for the run, the first and second being silver tilting pitchers and goblets, and the third prize a statuette. In addition, special silver sovenirs will be given to the first man to finish of each club sending ten entries or more. It is hoped by offering this inducement enough clubs will send teams to form the nucleus of a team championship race in the future. To every competitor finishing the course, a handsome bronze souvenir will be presented as a memento of the run.

To reach the Fort George Atlantic Hotel, 191st street and Tenth avenue, where the starts take place, take the elevated road to 125th street, and then the Tenth Avenue Cable Road to the end of the route. Entries for the run close on April 11, with the Cross Country Committee of the New York Athletic Club. Entrance fee, $1.

## SWIMMING.

THERE has been quite a happy revival in swimming contests this winter. The New Manhattan Athletic Club has given several open competitions, including the 100 and 300 yards championship of the Amateur Athletic Union, in their tank. A preliminary meeting was held on March 3. The open events consisted of a 200-yard handicap race and diving for distance competition. Percy F. Dickey, of the New York A. C., won the 200 yards, conceding long starts to the other competitors, in 2 minutes and 53 seconds. The diving for distance was a fiasco as far as competition was concerned. Only two men appeared at the starting point when the race was called, Normandie Murray, New York A. C., and T. E. Gilmore, of Newark, facing the starter. Gilmore tried first and only succeeded in covering 50 feet. Murray then went in, easily covered 100 feet, which was the length of the tank, and came to the surface without further trying, unaware that any other competitor was to follow. After this, Dr. C. T. Adams, of the New Manhattan A. C., appeared, was allowed to start, and covered 15 feet more than Murray. The New York man could certainly have done much better if he had been aware that anyone was to follow him.

The swimming championship meetings were successful from every point of view. The contests were well arranged, the meeting well managed, and the course clearly marked out to prevent fouling. A number of New York Athletic Club members attended to give encouragement to the club entries. In the trial heat of the 100 yards, P. F. Dickey was just beaten by G. J. Whittaker, of the Chicago A. A., the ultimate winner. Normandie Murray, New York A. C, won his heat, however, and finished a close third on the final heat. In the 300-yard championship Dickey had practically a walk-over, as Whittaker did not face the starter after his victory in the 100 yards, and none of the other competitors was in the same class with the smart swimmer of the New York A. C.

A 200-yards handicap was sandwiched between the championship events, and F. A. Wenck, a promising novice, who swam for the first time under the colors of the New York Athletic Club, won the final, with 20 seconds handicap, defeating H. Kollock, of the National Swimming Association of Philadelphia, who was a warm favorite.

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MR. GODFREY SHAW, who captained the London Athletic Club team last year, regrets the decision of the L. A. C. not to challenge for a return match. The following is extracted from his letter to a friend in New York:

"I am very sorry that the L. A. C. have not seen their way to send the N. Y. A. C. a challenge, as I am sure our defeated athletes would have liked to see what we could do against you in England. Perhaps you would beat us, but I think not in every event. Bredin, I know, is very anxious to have a go at Kilpatrick. I see that Wefers still keeps up his victorious career. With kind regards, Yours truly,

"GODFREY SHAW."

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## BOATING.

THERE is a promising outlook for rowing in the club this season. The committee in charge of the sport have worked assiduously with the idea of organizing a junior crew that will recover the Koch Cup, which was won by our juniors in 1893, but has since been taken by the Bohemians in 1894 and 1895. If the Bohemians should be victorious again this year, all chance of placing the cup among the many trophies won by the New York Athletic Club oarsmen will be lost, as it becomes the property of the club which wins it three times. The names of the aspirants for the crew are: Littell, Cary, Dobbins, Tomlinson, Griffith, Grant, Bissell, Crawford, Fry, Murray, Beecroft, Seaman, Radcliffe, Kollstede and Leech. The boys have been handicapped in their preliminary work by the eight-oared machine on which they are taught the rudiments of rowing, not working in proper order. At the suggestion of Athletic Director Giannini, the inventor has made an improvement in the machine, but if adopted, it will be too late to be of any service this season. All individual coaching, therefore, has been given to the juniors on single machines. They are a likely lot of youngsters and this may not prove very detrimental to their chance, especially as they will transfer their work to Travers Island waters the first week in April.

In addition to the junior crew the club will be represented at the Harlem regatta by R. C. Crawford, a member of the old Chippey crew, and Philip Howard, who will row in the junior double-scull race. C. C. Turner will try for the junior singles, and a senior four will be selected from W. H. Pickney, E. J. Keane, J. R. Crawford, R. Walden and A. L. Kollstede. The Rowing Committee hope to have a new cedar four-oared shell for the selected four to row in, as the last one, which was made hurriedly, did not quite come up to expectations.

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## THE CREW DINNER.

THE annual Crew Dinner took place at Travers Island on March 14. It was the usual jolly celebration of the water dogs.

Those present were: B. S. Weeks, E. W. Knickerbocker, J. W. Spalding, W. H. Pinckney, R. C. Fisher, C. E. Knoblauch, A. L. Clark, P. L. Howard. D. G. Smyth, R. H. Crawford, F. Leigh Seazenger, F. Williams, L. L Lawton, C. C. Smyth, A. G. Kollstede, F. W. Howard, S. B. Hunt, J. A. Miller, E. J. Keane, E. J. Giannini, E. Littell, O. J. Stephens, D. Roach.

Much amusement was furnished by the following

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Lettuce Salad
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Starter Pudding
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Coffee

# CLUB CURRENTS

## LADIES' DAY.

THE Athletic Day is always the event of the season with the ladies who enjoy an afternoon at the clubhouse. The entertainment on March 7 was no exception to the rule. A programme impossible to excel for variety and attractiveness had been prepared, and long before the time set for the commencement of the aquatic portion, the limited space afforded spectators in the natatorium was occupied. Those fortunate enough to secure a seat or standing space were delighted with the exhibitions given by the expert swimmers.

W. E. Dickey caused more than a ripple of excitement when, in his emulation of "Monte Cristo," he sank to the bottom of the tank sewed up in a bag. Life-savers were not required, as a few moments later the "irrepressible" carved his way out of prison and relieved the evident anxiety of the timid fair ones by serenely bobbing to the surface.

Masters Willie Swan and Hamilton Burch, two little nippers, thoroughly at home in the water, were the chief objects of interest in the floating, tumbling and rolling exhibition.

An exciting game of water-polo was won by the "Black" team by 3 goals to 2.

After the conclusion of the aquatics the spectators made a rapid exodus to the gymnasium, where they evinced the greatest interest in the exhibitions:

Another feature of the afternoon's entertainment was an art loan exhibition, generally conceded to be the most interesting ever placed in the clubhouse. The last outdoor painting of George Inness, subject, "The Orchard at Sundown," was a notable exhibit.

## THE LOCUSTS SWARM.

THE dinner of the "Locusts," on March 26, deserves passing notice. The King, J. H. Booth, was warmly welcomed back to club life after his trip in the tropics. It was the first "swarm" under the new regime instituted by the Restaurant Committee. The insects who partook of the feast and pronounced it excellent were:

Bartow S. Weeks, Dr. Charles F. Roberts, C. E. Knoblauch, John T. Fisher, J. H. Booth, Carlos Howard, R. C. Fisher, John H. Abeel, Jr., J. D. Reynolds, E. J. Giannini, Frank O. Roe, E. S. Thomson.

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Tomatoes Supreme

Romaine Salad

Nesselrode Pudding

Camembert

Café

## YACHTING.

THE Yachting Committee is busily preparing for an active season. A step of considerable benefit to the members who own racing craft has been taken, by the club joining the Yacht Racing Union of Long Island Sound. Mr. J. L. Delafield, who intends to race under the club colors, has asked the committee to procure for him a number to be used in all the contests in which his boat engages. Should other members desire this accommodation, Chairman Bronson will be happy to procure them a number which they can use throughout the season, if they will send their name, rig, load-water line and racing length of their boats to him. If this is done, considerable trouble will be avoided when entering for races.

## TRAVERS ISLAND.

THE Huckleberries and Regular Boarders will be pleased to note that the summer season is at hand when they can disport themselves at Travers Island and return once more to their primitive state of happiness after submitting to the horrors of civilization through the winter season. The formal opening of the island is announced for May 23, and the closing date is set this year for October 5. Many applications have already been received for rooms in the clubhouse, and those members who intend to join the forces of the regular boarders will do well to apply at once for accommodations. The following are the rates: Single rooms, $1.00 per day, $6.00 per week, $70.00 for the season. Double rooms, $2.00 per day, $10.00 per week, $140.00 for the season.

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ABOUT a thousand members and friends attended the smoker held in the gymnasium on March 21. The Entertainment Committee presented an excellent programme, containing a number of novelties that were thoroughly appreciated by the spectators.

The pleasing effect of Marie Leslie's southern melodies was heightened by her face being blackened in traditional minstrel style.

La Rosa, Levanon and Zarnes performed an original flying act. The French clowns, Honri and Lunadi, made a decided hit by their artistic manipulation of a medicine ball. There was uproarious fun when they threw it among the audience, the efforts of the boys to emulate the artists causing roars of laughter. The other good numbers on the programme were: Crawley and Foley, character songs and dances; Minnie Renwood, peerless danseuse; Gertie Gilson, a little gem; Edward Latell, black face musical act; Lawrence and Harrington, the original Bowery speelers.

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A HAND tennis court has been added to the equipments of the Racquet and Tennis Club. On inquiring of the elevator boy what the new court was, he replied: "Oh, that is a New York Athletic Club game." Quite a tribute to the inventive genius of the N. Y. A. C.

## CHESS.

THE chess tournament concluded with a victory for Dr. W. A. Dewey, who won every game in which he played, and won first prize. Mr. J. C. Hayes was second, with seven victories out of eight games. W. S. Wilson, A. T. Docharty and L. Eidlitz tied for third honors with a total of five games won. The contest provoked considerable interest, the tournament games being closely watched throughout.

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## PERSONALS.



THE FRIDAY EVENING Bowling Club is a new organization that has infused much life into the department lately. The members make more noise than strikes. "Rooting" is in their minds indispensable to success; they believe that the louder they shout the higher they score. The Brigade entered for the club championship, but only R. T. Lyons and A. L. Paynter qualified. Among the unsuccessful enthusiasts are: George M. Breck, R. Stoll, H. S. Lyons, M. P. Halpin, T. I. Lee, Samuel Stewart, W. Miller, H. K. Bird, Arthur R. Pope, Normandie Murray, E. C. Carter and G. Ponvert.

MR. ROBERT T. LYONS proved a surprise to the Roseville A. A. bowlers in the first series for the Temple Cup. He went to Montclair simply to encourage the team. F. M. Clute failed to arrive in time to play. Lyons took his place as a forlorn hope and rolled the highest score of the N. Y. A. C. team in both games.

WHILE pedalling along the Hudson County road on one of the few good wheeling days last month, Mr. J. A. Healey passed close to a lady pedestrian. There is a difference of opinion among the members of the party as to the words of greeting the damsel uttered. Mr. Healey's version is "Ich liebe dich."

THE poor class of the present day professional heavyweight boxers, was a subject for comment by an "Old Timer" in the *Evening Sun* recently. He says: "Now, there is Buermeyer, a veteran at the game, and yet he is growing young. I remember that a few years ago, when a man turned up in New York and called himself a champion, New Yorkers would not accept him at his word. They would say: 'Ah, you think you can box. Well, will you put on the gloves with an amateur?' When the reply was in the affirmative, they took the champion down to Harry's shop, and Harry would drop his pen and take the man upstairs to a loft. Why, the old man has a record as long as your arm, but you never hear him say anything about it."

MR. GEORGE J. GOULD has had extraordinary success as an exhibitor at bench shows recently. At the St. Louis show each of the five dogs entered by Mr. Gould won first prize in different classes. His celebrated dog, Ridgeview Comet, also secured the silver medal for the best animal in the show, and his Miss Rumor received a like honor as the best creature among the female canines. At the Detroit show the special challenge prize for the best kennel of four pointers was awarded to him.

THE Larchmont Yacht Club committees for the coming season have just been announced. The following New York Athletic Club members are included in the appointees: William B. Jenkins, House Committee; Horatio R. Harper, Art Committee; Francis M. Scott and William Murray, Illumination Committee. On the special committee for racing week are Robert C. Fisher and H. R. Harper.

MR. GEORGES KAVANAGH, one of the latest additions to our crack fencers, was described in last month's JOURNAL as an Irishman by birth. Mr. Kavanagh is only an Irishman by name. His family has lived in France for at least 200 years. He therefore ventures to assume that he is a genuine Frenchman.

MANY New York A. C. members witnessed the billiard tournament, in the Madison Square Concert Hall, between Ives, Schaefer and Garnier. Among those present were noticed William Wood, Col. John R. Fellows, Rudolph Schaefer, G. G. Stow and Dr. A. L. Ranney.

NEARLY all the N. Y. A. C. members who went South to escape the severe winter returned in time to derive all the benefits of the March snowstorms. Another illustration of the truth of the saying: "You never know your luck"

THE entries for the Oxford and Cambridge games, which took place on March 27, included the names of G. Jordan, W. J. Oakley, W. Fitzherbert, A. B. Johnston and F. S. Horan, who were competitors in the International games.

F. S. HORAN, who left such a pleasant impression of his personality in America, while here with the London Athletic Club team, is quoted in the latest London papers as the Reverend F. S. Horan.

MR. E. A. THOMSON won the court tennis championship of the Racquet and Tennis Club. In the final series he defeated Mr. J. J. Cairns in three straight sets, the score standing 6-2, 6-1, 7-5.

MR. GUSTAVUS T. KIRBY, who was elected president of the Inter-collegiate A. A. A. at the last meeting, is a son of Mr. Thomas E. Kirby, chairman of the Art Committee of the N. Y. A. C.

MR. H. A. MANDEVILLE'S steam yacht Marjencha has lately been equipped with new water tube boilers and is expected to show increased speed this year.

MR. JOHN V. CRUM, who represented the New York Athletic Club in the International games last fall, has been appointed City Attorney of Bedford, Iowa.

COLONEL JOHN R. FELLOWS has returned from the Hot Springs much improved in health after a stay of several weeks.

MR. T. E. DEELEY has been suffering from tonsilitis. He is now recovered sufficiently to sign checks.

MR. JOHN T. FISHER will resign the life of a merry bachelor for wedded bliss on April 7.

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THE New York Athletic Club will be well represented in the inaugural Inter-collegiate bicycle meet. Among the prominent riders are W. G. Douglas, University of Pennsylvania; Percy F. Dickey, W. H. Fearing and H. K. Bird, Columbia; and Ray Dawson, Stevens.

THERE will be a meeting of a committee next Tuesday evening at the residence of Dr. Rodrigues Ottolengui, 104 West Sixty-first Street, to perfect arrangements for the formation of a local League of American Wheelmen organization. A constitution and by-laws will be adopted.

MR. E. J. GREACEN has obtained control of the Combination Detachable Tire No. 49, the former makers of which have had much contention with the Dunlop Tire Co., from whom they recently won a suit. The X Ray Single Tube Tire is also manufactured by his company, the Combination Roll and Rubber Co.

A. B. RICH, "Quilla," to those who have known him as a racer for ten years and more, will be the Harvard University cycle coach. Collegians should take kindly to "head work," and in A. B. Rich they have secured a past grand master in every possible phase of track generalship, who will be able to teach his men the difficult task of winning races with the head.

W. C. SANGER, the well-known cyclist, is expected in town Saturday. The big fellow's intention is to arrange a series of matches with W. W. Hamilton, with whom for a while Sanger held the one-mile unpaced record, but which has since been accorded to Sanger. As there is intense rivalry between the pair, any match made will attract more than usual attention.

A SERIES of novel races has been arranged between Johnson, the American professional, and Japp Eden, the Dutch champion, who won the Saltonstall trophy, to consist of a skating race, to take place at Hamburg, and a bicycle race, to be held in Paris. In the event of each man winning one, they have decided to toss, winner having choice of event and place. As each is a skater and cyclist par excellence, these contests should prove decidedly interesting.

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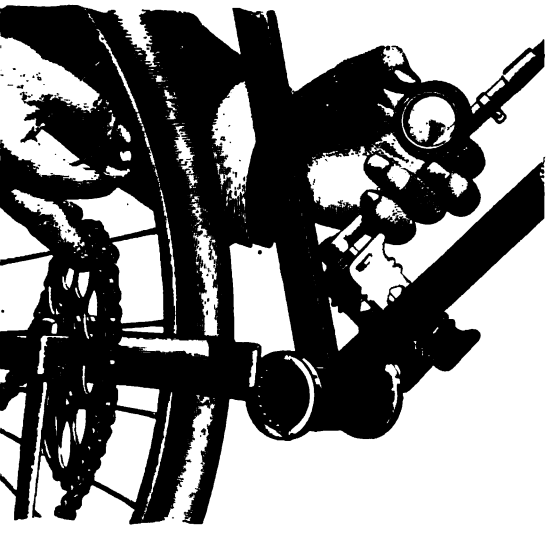
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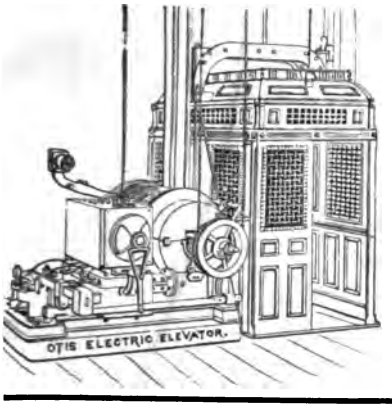

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## INTERNATIONAL RACES PROPOSED.

THERE is a prospect of a series of international races being arranged to take place under the auspices of the New York Athletic Club, in the fall, which will create as great an interest as last year's international meeting.

The Athletic Committee is making a commendable effort to fill the void created by the absence of F. E. Bacon and E. C. Bredin from the English team last season. While the international meeting was being discussed, the chances of a meeting between Bacon and Conneff were referred to oftener than any of the other races anticipated, and the withdrawal of the English mile champion was the signal for expressions of regret which have found echoes whenever the international meeting has been referred to during the winter.

E. C. Bredin, acting on behalf of Bacon, wrote personally to Conneff some time since, suggesting a race. Conneff submitted the correspondence to the Athletic Committee, who promptly issued the following challenge:

E. C. BREDIN, Esq., London Athletic Club, Stamford Bridge, Fulham Road, London.

*Dear Sir*—The matter in regard to which you and Mr Conneff, of this club, have been in correspondence was laid before the Athletic Committee by him; in answer thereto, and at the request of the Athletic Committee, I hereby issue a challenge on behalf of this club for a one (1) mile match race between Thos. P. Conneff, of this club, and F. E. Bacon, of the London Athletic Club, to be run in this city or vicinity, in September next, for a suitable trophy, this club to pay the expenses of Mr. Bacon and one (1) attendant from London to New York and return, and for four (4) weeks in this country.

If this challenge is acceptable, I should be happy to receive prompt notice of the same, and would be glad to communicate with you in regard to any further arrangements which you may consider necessary in connection with the matter.

Yours very respectfully,

JOHN C. GULICK, Secretary.

Captain Bartow S. Weeks, inspired by the praiseworthy desire to provide the best possible entertainment for his clubmates, and at the same time effectually settle questions of superiority which the international meeting may have left in abeyance, carefully considered the situation, and suggested, in the following letter, other matches scarcely less important than the meeting of Bacon and Conneff:

E. C. BREDIN, Esq.

*Dear Sir*—Our Athletic Committee has to-day forwarded you a formal challenge on behalf of Mr. T. P. Conneff, for a match race with Mr. F. E. Bacon. Should the match be arranged, it has occurred to me that you would in all probability desire to accompany Mr. Bacon, and in that case we would be glad also to arrange a match between yourself and Mr. C. H. Kilpatrick for the half-mile.

There have also been some rumors over here that both Mr. Shaw and Mr. Bradley would be glad to meet again Mr. Chase and Mr. Wefers of our club, and if that is the case we would willingly arrange matches for

them also. Of course, if such a series were arranged, we would expect to pay their expenses.

Hoping to hear from you favorably, believe me,

Yours very truly,

BARTOW S. WEEKS, Captain.

Should the matches be consummated the result will be the greatest series of races ever witnessed.

F. E. Bacon came to the front of long distance runners by winning a four-mile scratch race in 1891, defeating Thomas, Crossland, Pearce and Watkins in 19 minutes 39 seconds, equaling the amateur record held then by W. G. George.

Bacon won the one-mile English championship at his first attempt for the honor, in 1893, covering the distance in 4 minutes 22 1-5 seconds. The following year he still further added to his reputation by clipping a fifth of a second off the British record and establishing the Scotch record of 24 minutes 57 2-5 seconds for five miles. He also won the one-mile English championship in 4 minutes 25 2-5 seconds, and the four-mile championship in 19 minutes 48 3-5 seconds.

In 1895 Bacon won the ten-mile English championship in 52 minutes 43 4-5 seconds, and the one-mile championship in 4 minutes 17 seconds, a world's record for a few weeks, until Conneff lowered the figures to 4 minutes 15 3-5 seconds. Bacon's performance is, however, entitled to rank equal with Conneff's, as in addition to the measurement of the tracks being slightly favorable to American records, the Englishman's time was accomplished in a waiting race, while Conneff's competitors adapted their running to aid him as far as possible in his effort to break the record.

Conneff's performances need no recounting. In Bacon he will meet the most formidable antagonist he has yet encountered. The Englishman is renowned for his wonderful finishing powers, but Conneff's admirers predict that he will set a pace fast enough to deprive Bacon of his usual speedy finish, and this assumption is warranted by his three-quarter mile performance last summer.

E. C. Bredin has frequently expressed his desire for a race with Kilpatrick, and his record certainly entitles him to respect. Bredin has been on the track for some years and won the quarter and half-mile championships of England in 1893 and 1894 He has run a quarter of a mile in 48½ seconds, and a half-mile in 1 minute 55 seconds, the latter performance being made in a handicap race around a large field of men. Bredin is a splendid judge of pace, and as he is certainly faster than Horan, who gave Kilpatrick a good race last year, a desperate struggle will result if the pair meet.

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THE LAY OF THE LAST "ROOTER."

The muffled rum's sad roll has beat
The "Rooters'" last tattoo;
No more on Friday nights shall meet
That brave, but fallen few.

Their battle chant, their lusty yell,
All sunk amid the roar
Of desolation that befell
The Rosevilles weeks before.

They did not drop in one sad heap—
In one dull, thuddy fall,
But wandered singly off to sleep
And stayed there, that was all.

But, Phœnix-like, from out the mesh
That hides their meagre score
Shall rise the "Rooters," strong and fresh,
To live and bowl once more.

"ROOTER" LYONS.

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A MATCH game between the Regular team and the Rooters, on April 29, was the sporting event of the season. Everybody and everything seemed to effervesce and overflow, even the keg, and when that burst the bowlers had to swim for their lives.

The Rooters were outrooted, outumpired and outscored. Even the pin boys leagued themselves against them and blew down the Regulars' shaky pins.

When the attache of the Regular team, Sam Stewart, called a foul on the Editor simply because he rested his hand on the rail after the severe effort of making a strike, no insurance company would have issued a half-hour policy on his life.

A rumor was started early in the evening that George Breck, the captain of the Rooters, had sold out the game to the Regulars, the consideration being his railroad fare to Montclair. Whether this was true or not he bowled like a "lobster."

The Regular team was without the service of Captain Hezekiah Brown, who, rather than take a chance of defeat, fell from a cable car and sprained his little finger.

Matt Halpin was the mainstay of the Rooters. When it was noticed that the "sidewheeler" had beaten champion Jim Carter's score in the first game there was great joy in the camp.

The Regulars allowed the Rooters a handicap of 15 pins per man, and won in two straight games. Scores, 814-782; 856-784.

Among those who graced the alleys with their presence were: Robert Stoll, Samuel Stewart, Eugene H. Pomeroy, J. S. Case, H. P. Brown, E. P. Reynolds, J. S. O'Brien, W. F. Rudolphy, Louis Legein, A. L. Paynter, G. Ponvert, C. H. McManus, John Halpin, Comm. Fred Williams, J. A. Booth, H. R. Hayden, Carlos Howard, E. C. Potter, J. A. Farley, J. E. Miller, Percy F. Dickey, Normandie Murray, D. I. Bradley, A. H. Morgan, N. E. Gouldey, George W. Poucher, W. S. Baldwin.

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THE competition for the club bowling championship has arrived at an interesting stage. According to the schedule arranged all the games should have been finished on April 20, but the event is still undecided.

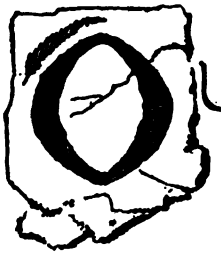
The principal delinquent responsible for the delay is the Grand Old Party, Wilmarth, who had only played a third of the games scheduled at the time set for the conclusion of the tournament.

Herman Toussaint at present stands at the head of the list, having been victorious in twelve of the fifteen series. The only player who has a chance to defeat him is J. W. Carter. The genial James has won eleven games and has yet to play Bell and Wilmarth. Should he win both contests the championship will fall to him again after a lapse of ten years.

Cowperthwait has won eleven games. He has to defeat Brown to tie Toussaint and have a possible chance for the championship.

The following table shows the games won and lost at the time of going to press:

| | Ames. | Belts. | Bell. | Brown. | Carter. | Clute. | Cowperthwait. | Lyons. | More. | Paynter. | Seaman. | Schaffner. | Shaw. | Toussaint. | Vilmar. | Wilmarth. | Games Won. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ames | x | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .. | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | 1 |
| Belts | .. | x | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Bell | 1 | 0 | x | .. | .. | 1 | 0 | .. | .. | 0 | 0 | .. | 1 | 0 | 0 | .. | 3 |
| Brown | 1 | 1 | .. | x | 0 | .. | .. | 1 | 0 | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | 0 | 0 | .. | 5 |
| Carter | 1 | 1 | .. | 1 | x | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | .. | 11 |
| Clute | 1 | 1 | 0 | .. | 0 | x | 0 | 1 | .. | .. | 0 | .. | .. | 0 | .. | .. | 3 |
| Cowperthwait | 1 | 0 | 1 | .. | 0 | 1 | x | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| Lyons | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | x | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| More | 1 | 1 | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | 1 | 0 | x | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .. | 8 |
| Paynter | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .. | 0 | .. | 0 | x | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .. | 2 |
| Seaman | 1 | 0 | 1 | .. | 0 | .. | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | x | .. | 0 | 0 | 1 | .. | 6 |
| Schaffner | .. | 0 | .. | .. | 0 | .. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .. | x | 0 | 0 | 1 | .. | 2 |
| Shaw | 1 | .. | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | x | 1 | .. | 1 | 5 |
| Toussaint | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | x | 1 | 1 | 12 |
| Vilmar | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .. | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .. | 0 | x | 1 | 9 |
| Wilmarth | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 0 | 0 | .. | . | .. | .. | 0 | 0 | 0 | x | 1 |
| Games Lost | 11 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 11 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 5 | .. |



# UR OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

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## TRAVERS ISLAND.

**May 23—Opening Day.**

**June 13—Spring Games.**

## CYCLING.

**May 23—Coasting Race.**

## MEETING.

**May 19—Special Meeting at 8.30 p. m.**

## ROWING.

**May 30—Harlem Regatta.**

## ATHLETICS.

**May 30—Intercollegiate A. A. A. Championships.**

**May 30—New Jersey A. C. Games at Bergen Point.**

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THE Board of Governors has called a special meeting of the club to be held on Tuesday, May 19, at 8.30 P. M., for the purpose of receiving a report from the Building and Finance Committee and to take such action thereon as may be necessary and advisable to complete the building of the new clubhouse.

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A COMPLIMENTARY dinner tendered to Assemblyman Armstrong, under the auspices of the League of American Wheelmen, is on the card for Friday evening, May 1st, 1896, at the Hotel Savoy. Many wheelmen of the New York Athletic Club are on the guest list.

## BASEBALL.

IT is proposed to organize a strictly amateur baseball team for the season of 1896. Members desiring to try for positions on the team will please send their names to the captain at once.

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Practice began at Travers Island on April 26, when a few of the enthusiasts were present. It is early in the season for the island at present, but before the opening day a nine will in all probability be organized, as the idea to revive the interest in the National game appears to meet with the hearty indorsement of the large number of "fans" in the ranks of the club.

# CYCLING

## ANOTHER PRIZE CUP.

NEARLY every member of the New York Athletic Club knows W. F. Pendleton, the donor of the handsome silver cup for road riding, but many are unaware that the popular "Billy" was himself a "scorcher" of the first water a few years ago.

During the racing seasons of 1888, '89, '90, few racers could defeat Pendleton on the track, while along a stretch of road it was even more difficult to leave the irrepressible William in the rear.

In his very first race, a novice event at Bergen Point on July 4, 1888, he scored a winning bracket. Those were the days when the ordinary bicycle held sway. Pendleton improved so rapidly that he was looked upon as the coming champion, and when, a year later, he finished a close third in a third-of-a-mile scratch race at Roseville to Irving Halsted and H. Caldwell, his prospects for a brilliant racing career were considered bright indeed. A. A. Zimmerman finished behind him on that occasion. Business, however, eclipsed his racing propensities just as he became a rising star, but not before he had taken part in one of the earliest century runs to Philadelphia and finished one of the thirty survivors out of ninety starters.



Mr. Pendleton is the only rider who has twice won the coveted Tarrytown bottle. He shares with J. H. Hanson the honor of holding the record, 2 hours 4 minutes, for the famous watchnight scorch. The record was made by the pair on a tandem tricycle. Mr. Pendleton was a member of the New York Bicycle Club, then of the Citizens', with which organization he graduated to the New York A. C.

The prize which he has donated to encourage persistent road riding is a handsome piece of silverware. It has been inscribed the "Bicycle Daily Five-Mile Road Cup," an outrageous sacrifice to the donor's modesty. It is safe to say that the prize will be more generally known as the "Pendleton Cup."

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## THE COASTING MATCH.

THE coasting race fixed for the 23d of May is the chief topic of conversation among the wheelmen of the club. The course over which the trial will take place has not yet been decided. The committee has several places under consideration. The one most favorably thought of is the Teaneck Hill on the Phelps Estate, which has the advantage of a good course whichever way the wind may blow on the day.

The following are the conditions of the match:

1. The rider making the longest distance to win.

2. The contestants shall be pushed off from a standstill, and where the foot touches the ground when the wheel falls shall be the finish.

3. The feet must be placed on a forward rest at starting and kept there during the race.

4. All wheels must be in the same condition as for ordinary road or track riding, and the use of special appliances and gears is barred.

5. The qualification of each wheel must be passed on by the committee.

6. All makes of wheels allowed.

# General Athletics

## CROSS-COUNTRY HANDICAP.

THE first open cross-country handicap ever given by the New York Athletic Club took place over the Fort George course on April 18. As far back as 1883 the club promoted the first individual championship race at this sport and continued the event under its auspices until 1887, after which the individual competition was merged with the team championship race of the National Cross-Country Association. Since that body discontinued its precarious career and the Amateur Athletic Union assumed control of the sport, there has been no racing to control and the Cross-Country Committee essayed a difficult task in promoting the handicap race.

The success of the venture, under the circumstances, was remarkable, especially as many other athletic events were scheduled for the same day, detracting considerably from the number of entries. Altogether, eighty men sent in their names, and of these sixty-one faced the starter.

The course which the committee had in view for the struggle was the historic one over which the last individual championship was decided, but the march of improvement has reached Fort George and the parapets, battlements, terraces and streets built by the D. P. W. without consulting the Cross-Country Committee of the N. Y. A. C , necessitated slight changes in the route and reduced the distance to a trifle less than the regulation five miles.

In some quarters much uneasiness was felt at the late hour fixed for starting the race, lest a few minutes delay should result in darkness intervening before the finish. A competent staff of officials, under the direction of Bartow S. Weeks, Referee, succeeded in dispatching the limit man, R. R. Mamlock, precisely at 6 o'clock. George W. Orton, of the New York A. C., the scratch man, was prevented from running by games at the University of Pennsylvania, where he captains the track team, and E. W. Hjertberg, of the New Jersey A. C., was the virtual scratch man.

The course led along the cable road, directly under the old fort; then the racers came down the hill at breakneck speed, through thorns and bushes, in the direction of Inwood Church. So far the going had been good, but at the bottom of the hill a morass was encountered which tested the stamina of the runners. A stiff uphill climb was indulged in by the side of the old gashouse, and Mamlock, the limit man, still held a commanding lead. Here he began to tire, and at the Grammar School by the Kingsbridge road he was only a few yards in front of Eggleston of the Pastime A. C., with Robinson third, Metz fourth, McCarthy fifth and Shannon sixth. About fifty yards behind and rapidly overhauling the leaders was P. Mackey, of the New West Side A. C., who started from the 2 min. 45 sec. mark and had already passed his clubmate, Regan, who was then in twelfth position, minus his running shoes, which he had left in the first swamp.

After passing the school the toughest bit of running of the whole course had to be negotiated—heavy, black, swampy ground, in which the men sank knee deep, was alternated with jagged rocks. It was too much for the long-start brigade, except Eggleston, who held his own in fine style, and led at the turn for home, which was taken a hundred yards beyond the Seaman's Lodge. Mackey was then in second place.

The return journey was along the bank of the Harlem River, and for over a mile the runners were lost to view. When they reappeared Mackey was leading, with Eggleston and Regan in close attendance. Coming down the hill into the swamp for the last time, Mackey

drew away, but came to grief in the soft ground, falling head first into the marsh. This put him out of the race and Regan, undismayed by the loss of his shoes, ran pluckily along the last mile of macadamized road and drawing steadily away from Eggleston won by a hundred yards. Liebgold took third place from Mackey while he was floundering in the swamp.

The following is the order of finish and time of the first twelve men:

| Name and Club | Handicap. Min. | Handicap. Sec. | Finishing Time. Min. | Finishing Time. Sec. | Actual Time. Min. | Actual Time. Sec. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| M. Regan, New W. S. A C. | 3 | .. | 31 | 28 | 29 | 28 |
| H. Eggleston, P. A. C. | 4 | .. | 31 | 57 | 30 | 57 |
| L. Liebgold, N. J. A. C. | 2 | 45 | 32 | 21 | 30 | 06 |
| W. W. Lightpipe, Col'bia Coll. | 3 | 15 | 32 | 34 | 30 | 49 |
| T. G. McGirr, Philadelphia | 2 | 15 | 33 | 05 | 30 | 20 |
| J. J. Burke, N. J. A. C | 2 | 45 | 33 | 15 | 31 | .. |
| J. W. Rumpf, St. George A C. | 2 | .. | 33 | 43 | 30 | 43 |
| A. L. Fitzpatrick, I. A. C. | 2 | 15 | 33 | 51 | 31 | 06 |
| W. L. Metz, Clipper A. C. | 4 | 15 | 33 | 55 | 33 | 10 |
| G. G. Hollander, N. Y. City | 1 | .. | 33 | 58 | 29 | 58 |
| D. J. Donovan, Xavier A. A. | 3 | 30 | 34 | 17 | 32 | 47 |
| H. Gray, St. George A. C. | 1 | 30 | 34 | 26 | 30 | 56 |

## AN ALL-ROUND TROPHY.

THE praiseworthy desire to encourage competition among club members appears to be very strong this year. The latest enthusiast to present a trophy with this object in view is Mr. James H. Salmon, who has donated an exceedingly handsome cup to be competed for in a contest of an all-around nature. The Athletic Committee will arrange the details of competition at its next meeting.



## WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIP.

NEGOTIATIONS have been quietly conducted during the past two months for a championship water polo match of an international character and have resulted in the arrangement of a series of games which should prove the most interesting ever held in that branch of sport.

On the 26th of February the Grand Trunk Boating Club of Montreal, champions of Canada for three successive years, formally challenged the New York A. C. for the aquatic polo championship of America, stipulating, however, that the games should be played under a combination of rules. The Athletic Committee found, after inquiry, that it was impossible to play under foreign rules in the New York tank and so informed the Canadians.

In a letter dated April 21 the Boating Club reiterates the challenge and agrees to play three games for the championship under the rules which prevailed in former championship games. The club winning two of the three games to be champion. The first two games are to be played on Saturday, May 23, and if a third game is necessary it is to be played on May 25.

Immediately on receipt of the second defi the Water Polo Committee commenced to reorganize the team which discontinued practice some time ago. Fortunately, the individual players have been kept in good trim by their work done in training for the aquatic entertainment, and the probabilities are that the club will be represented by a team fully capable of maintaining the great reputation which the club has gained in past contests. Charlie Kintner will be able to fill his old position at goal and will no doubt prove as reliable as ever. Normandie Murray, always an expert swimmer and clever water polo player, never before exhibited such brilliant form as he has shown this season. W. E. Dickey is another of the old players who may be depended upon to show improved form in the coming match. Of the new blood Wenck, McManus, Thompson and Paynter have proved themselves worthy of positions on the team.

# CLUB CURRENTS

## BOATING

THE pleasant April weather has been very beneficial to the crews in training. The members of the junior eight have shown marked improvement since commencing work at Travers Island on April 6. They rowed only in pairs and in the rowing box on the float for the first week, and were then transferred to the eight-oared gig, where they improved rapidly enough to take to the eight-oared shell by the twentieth of the month.

Athletic Director Giannini, who has instilled the proper idea of rowing in the minds of the youngsters, and coached them in their work, says they are the most promising juniors he has had charge of in some years. They make the heaviest junior crew that the New York A. C. has ever turned out, and their chance of regaining the Koch Cup, on Decoration Day, is thought by the expert oarsmen of the club to be very bright.



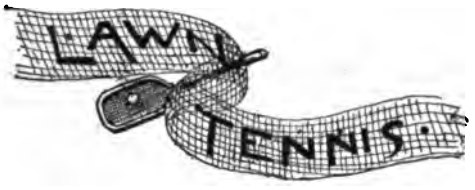
The names, positions and weights of the probable crew are as follows:

| Name. | Position. | Weight. |
|---|---|---|
| Bogert | Bow | 132 lbs. |
| G. Kollstede | Second | 155 lbs. |
| Griffith | Third | 148 lbs. |
| Seaman | Fourth | 153 lbs. |
| Tomlinson | Fifth | 168 lbs. |
| Dobbins | Sixth | 158 lbs. |
| Fry | Seventh | 155 lbs. |
| E. Littell | Stroke | 138 lbs. |
| | SUBSTITUTES. | |
| Grant | ——— | 143 lbs. |
| Crawford | ——— | 155 lbs. |
| Graham Smyth | Coxswain | 118 lbs. |

The men in training for the senior four did not commence active work on the river until the middle of April, but they are already displaying their usual good form. They have the advantage of again being stroked by J. R. Crawford, who occupied the stern seat last year. Unfortunately the crew will be unable to row the race on Decoration Day in the new cedar shell. The Athletic Committee granted the request of the oarsmen for a new boat, but it was found impossible to have the boat completed in time to be of service.

The aspirants for honors in the junior doubles, P. L. Howard and R. H. Crawford, spent the greater part of last month rowing in single shells, which is the best early practice. They graduated into the double on April 26, and will continue to row together until the race.

The club will be deprived of its representative in the junior singles, as C. C. Turner, the sturdy young athlete who was preparing for that event, fell from his bicycle and incapacitated himself for awhile.




THE usual Spring Handicap Lawn Tennis Tournament, open to club members, will be held this year at Travers Island, beginning on Saturday, May 23, and continuing on each succeeding Saturday. The finals in singles and doubles will be played on June 13, Ladies' Day.

The matches will be played and the handicaps arranged on the point system, which proved satisfactory last year.

Entries may be made on the lists posted in both clubhouses, or by mail to any member of the Lawn Tennis Committee.

Play each Saturday will begin on the arrival of the 12.45 P. M. train from 129th Street. Defaults will be taken at 2.30 P. M.

WM. K. GILLEIT,
RALPH HICKOX,
R. H. MALLORY,
} Lawn Tennis Committee.

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SINCE the early spring alterations to the tennis courts have been going on at Travers Island. A large force of men have worked under the direction of the Island Committee, blasting away the bank which bordered the west side of the courts.

The change will allow room for five courts instead of four, but they will face at right angles to the old courts.

The work is rapidly nearing completion and the courts will be ready for play about the first week in May. The increased facilities will be a boon to the many enthusiasts in this line of sport.

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A STRONG example of the deep-seated affection which members have for the New York Athletic Club, was furnished at the last Board meeting, when a member who was dropped on June 9, 1891, paid his indebtedness and dues from that time to date, amounting to nearly $300.

## NEW MEMBERS.

THE general desire for membership in the New York Athletic Club, which developed when active steps toward building the new clubhouse were taken, still prevails. The steady influx of new blood augurs well for the continued prosperity of the club when in its new home. At the last Board meeting the following gentlemen were elected: Robert Gibson, Jr., Adolph G. Humel, E. B. Freeman, Frederick Pullman, S. V. Timberlake, John T. Williams, Jr., John McColgan, W. Thomas Jefferson, Byron Alger, William DeWolf Dimock, John J. Keyes, W. D. Bourne, Oscar H. Holder, William Hayes, William H. Bolton, Frederick H. Chapin, Percy Kent, Frank L. Sommer, Frank Fechteler, Aristides Martinez, Andrew S. Hamersley, Richard F. Carroll, John E. Clancy, L. S. Dow.

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## OUR REGULAR BOARDERS.

THERE is no stronger testimony to the attractiveness of Travers Island than the consistency with which the regular boarders return each summer to their home on the Sound. The proof of the pudding is in the eating, and those who have been in the habit of spending their summers at Travers Island know, to use a slang phrase, "what a pudding they have."

The happy family for the current season is at present constituted as follows: George W. Scott, James Lowerre, J. D. Reynolds, Carlos H. Howard, M. W. Bronson, R. L. Luce, Frank O. Roe, W. F. S. Hart, A. Schroeder, H. G. Silleck, Jr., C. E. Knoblauch, E. P. Reynolds, W. W. Hall, Robert Gibson, Jr., J. F. Thomson, E. Thorpe.

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THE difficulty which members have encountered in providing accommodation for their families in the vicinity of Travers Island will be removed this year, as Mrs. Hazen's school building will be transformed for the season into a summer inn. Under the management of Mrs. William R. Sheffield all the attractions of a summer home will be provided.




## NEW YORK A. C. FENCERS SUCCESSFUL.

THE New York Athletic Club Fencers fully upheld their reputation at the national championship meeting of the Amateur Fencers' League and Amateur Athletic Union, held at the Fencers' Club, on April 25. Georges Kavanagh, who was defeated by A. V. Z. Post, of the Fencers' Club, in the team championship, showed much improved form, and turned the tables on Post in the foil competition.

C. G. Bothner easily held his own in the sabre contest, but the New York Athletic Club novices, F. L. Slazenger and E. J. Keane, showed promising form.

Altogether, two championships, three second and three third places, were taken by New York Athletic Club men. The summaries:

FOILS.

Georges Kavanagh, 23.07; Charles Tatham, 22.75; Charles G. Bothner, 22.31; A V. Z. Post, 21.31; Samuel T. Shaw, Jr., 17.73; William T. Heintz, 14.20.

DUELING SWORDS.

A. V. Z. Post, 6.50; William T. Heintz, 5; Charles G. Bothner, 3.50; Charles Tatham, 2.

SABRES.

Charles G. Bothner, 17.99; Arthur Pope, 13 58; F. L Slazenger, 13; E. J. Keane, 8.65.

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THE dinner of the Amateur Fencers' League of America will take place at the New York Athletic Club, on Wednesday, May 6, 1896, at 6.30 P. M.

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## BOXING.

THE concluding boxing entertainment of the season was held on April 25, and the high class of sport which has been a feature of the entertainments given under the management of the present Athletic Committee was again noticeable.

The clever sparring of Wall and Sears, featherweights, whom the judges and referee decided were equally matched, was one of the most scientific bouts ever witnessed in the club-house. The other feature of the evening was the plucky and even struggle in which J. Mullins defeated M. Murphy in the 135-lb. class. The latter was overweight, but the superior condition of Mullins more than compensated for the difference, and he gained the referee's decision at the end of eight rounds after being apparently a beaten man in the fourth round. In the other contests Casper Leon defeated T. Kelly at 110 lbs., and H. Baker defeated F. Morris at 158 lbs., both contests ending before the stipulated eight rounds.

The attendance of members attested the increased popularity of the entertainments.

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GOVERNOR JAMES H. HASLIN is no longer hand tennis champion of the club. A series of the best three out of five games for the championship honor was played in the gymnasium, on May 27, between E. Elsworth and J. H. Haslin, and after a great struggle the title fell to the tournament winner.

A strange feature of the series was that in each of the four games played Haslin had 23 points and the service, but in all but one he lost the ball at a critical moment.

The scores were: First game, Elsworth, 25; Haslin, 23; second game, Elsworth, 25; Haslin, 23; third game, Haslin, 25; Elsworth, 21; fourth game, Haslin, 25; Elsworth, 23.

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THE Athletic Committee has in preparation the programme for the spring games on June 13 The events will be mainly handicaps, insuring interesting competitions. One or two special features are contemplated which, if arranged, will add greatly to the athletic success of the meeting

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## OBITUARY.

MR. CHARLES T. WARD died Nov. 13, 1895.
MR. JESSE S. WALTON died January 29, 1896.
MR. R. T. HAINES died April 3, 1896.



THE swimming pool was surrounded by a crowd of members Saturday evening, April 18, to witness the first series of aquatic sports of its kind held in the clubhouse since its opening The programme was unique, consisting of speed swimming, diving, hurdle racing, tug-of-war and man-fishing. The numerous competitors who toed the scratch included some members whose competitive days were thought to be long past, but they all performed creditably, notably Mayhew Bronson, in the diving contest, when he fairly bested all his rivals in the distance plunge.

The star of the night was Normandie Murray, who, having trained for the games, was in rare form and won three first prizes.

The opening event was the 132 yard dash handicap, contested in heats, which were won by N. Murray, F. E. Wenck and M. E. More, Jr. The final proved a magnificent race, Murray and Wenck swimming side by side until within a few yards of the finish, when Murray with a supreme effort forged ahead and won by a few inches amid great enthusiasm; time, 1 min. 49 3-5 sec. Little Maxie More was outclassed by men so much older and stronger, but swam a good race.

The diving competition was divided into four sections—distance plunge, plain dive, dive through hoop, and fancy diving. The latter section (the competitors having been told that originality was to be considered above everything in judging) produced some remarkable efforts which kept the spectators in yells of laughter. Among the styles were the Chino-Japa dive, the Kerflop, the Bill Raines and other well-known but seldom used dives.

The contest narrowed down to three men, Knoblauch, Murray and Schumacher. The judges decided it a tie and ordered a single dive by each man, grace to be considered. Murray won, Knoblauch second.

The man-fishing brought out Thos. Williams as fisherman and Chas. Knoblauch as the human fish. The object was to land the fish in 15 minutes. If not landed he escaped a broiling—or roasting, I should say. Knobby's strength proved too much for the stout tarpon line, which parted in eight minutes after a tight struggle.

The tug-of-war brought out Schumacher and McManus, with Thompson as anchor, against W. E. Dickey and Wenck, with Kintner anchor. The former team had the advantage at first, but, as time approached, "Old Kint," who had been swimming on his back, rolled over on his breast and, ploughing through the deep with mighty strokes, gradually towed both teams to his end of the tank. The members were again aroused to a high pitch of enthusiasm. Almost everybody was out of his seat cheering.

The hurdle race handicap was won easily by Murray, who cleared the obstacles in fine style. M. E. More, Jr., after working hard all the evening, had his reward by winning the junior hurdle race.

The officials were Bartow S. Weeks, Fred Wells, Harry Buermeyer and Waldo Sprague.

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PROGRESS OF NEW CLUBHOUSE FOUNDATION.

## PERSONALS.

WILD rumors to influence the price of stocks are of such frequent occurrence in Wall Street that the astounding announcement that Mr. George Strong Daniels would remove his beard on May 1, received but little credence. The rumor emanated from some of Mr. Daniels' friends, who were envious of his personal appearance. It was soon traced to its source, and Mr. Daniels' stock of manly beauty is still quoted above par.

FRESH victims to the "wheeling plague" are being discovered among club members every day. One of the latest to be afflicted is Washington Morton. He has contracted the disease in its worst form, with early rising and mileage-medal complications. Mr. Morton is the first to arrive at the cycle house in the morning, usually appearing at 5.30 A. M. The early bird does not always have the honor of being the first registered, as some of the night owls have acquired the reprehensible habit of registering their morning spin before retiring at night.

WHILE New Yorkers were sweltering under the advance installment of summer weather last month, the hotel men who were on a southern trip, in search of warmth and pleasure, were in receipt of a cool reception, according to the following telegram received at the clubhouse:

LAS VEGAS, April 12.

House Committee may not believe it, but we hote men of New York are struggling through a foot of snow to-day. WALTER C. ABBOTT.

MR. L. M. LAWSON, JR., is an amateur actor as well as an amateur athlete. At the performance of "The Buccaneer," by the Columbia College Musical Society, during the week ending April 25, at the Carnegie Lyceum, he cleverly presented the part of Thomas Thunder, Captain of the Buccaneers. President Whitely and his family were among those who patronized the entertainment, which was a distinct success.

A LIVE pigeon match took place on April 25, Larchmont, between Daniel I. Bradley and Charles C. Hibbard. The conditions were, 100 birds, 30 yards rise. The score was: Bradley, 85; Hibbard, 68.

THE New Rochelle correspondent of the JOURNAL is responsible for the announcement that Mr. Mayhew Bronson, in company with Mr. Kistinger, of that town, recently caught a forty-five pound bass. When the news was gently broken to Mr. James Lowerre, the fishing authority of the club, he remarked, "Where? In Fulton Market?"

SINCE Charley Knoblauch had appendicitis, his illness has been a never-failing excuse whenever he wished to avoid the performance of an unpleasant duty. Charley has pleaded on the same lines so often that when he failed to appear on 'change on April 22, a facetious friend remarked that he must have met his old friend, Mr. Appendicitis.

MR. GEORGE B. HULME has returned from his trip around the world. He signalized his reappearance by showing his horses at Boston, with marked success, a number of first prizes falling to his lot.

THE latest addition to the list of members owning boats is Mr. Samuel P. Avery, Jr., who has a thirty-foot naphtha launch, called "Button Island," and a twenty-foot catboat, called "Irene."

CAPTAIN BARTOW S. WEEKS will reside at Pelham Manor this summer, where he will be in a position to supervise the work of the men in training.

MR. ROBERT DUNLAP has sold the Hotel Breslin, Lake Hopatchong, to Mr. Albert Tilt. Both are members of the New York Athletic Club.

MR. EDWIN D. TERRY and Mr. H. E. Cleveland are now known as the inseparables. They are always seen at the clubhouse together.

MR. R. H. HALSTEAD is always on the road in his leisure hours, either on horseback or astride his wheel.

MR. WASHINGTON CONNOR has returned to New York after spending the winter at his Florida home.

MR. FRANK W. SANGER has taken to the wheel.

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## CYCLING NOTES.

MR. WILSON R. YARD is the latest club member to embrace the cycling trade as a business. He has opened a store at 151 E. 125th Street for the sale of Juniata and Huntington wheels.

JOHN S. JOHNSON has been matched to ride Michael, the English champion, six races, to be held in Europe, and two additional races, five miles and one hour, to be ridden in America in September.

MR. ELLIOTT BURRIS, managing director of the American Humber & Co., is an enthusiastic devotee of sparring. His business trip from Westboro, Mass., was timed so that he could be present at the last boxing entertainment of the season.

AT the annual meeting of the International Cyclists' Association Board, held at Antwerp, April 4, the privilege of holding the world's championship of 1896 was awarded to Denmark. Copenhagen will be the place and the dates August 15, 16 and 17.

GOVERNOR MORTON, on April 18, signed the bill making it a misdemeanor to throw upon a public road anything to injure the tires of a bicycle. On the day following, Sunday, scores of wheelmen had their tires destroyed on Staten Island by tacks, which had manifestly been placed there solely for the very purpose they accomplished.

W. G. DOUGLAS won the one-mile bicycle handicap at the spring games of the University of Pennsylvania from scratch, on April 25.

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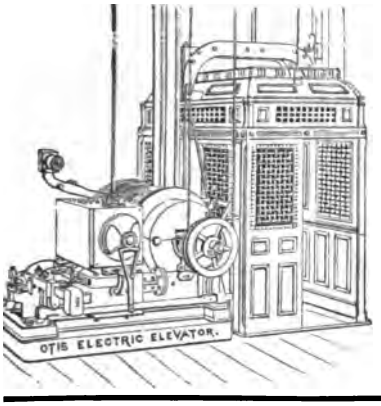
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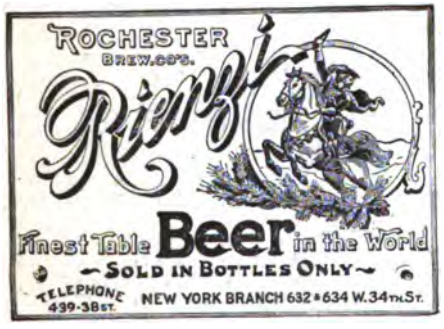
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## NEW PLANS FOR CLUBHOUSE.

THE Board of Governors presented the report of the Building and Finance Committee, in connection with the building of the new clubhouse, at a special meeting of the club on May 26.

The committee has been confronted with many difficult problems, and has labored persistently to solve them.

That they have done so to the satisfaction of the members was evident by the approval given to the following report read by the Secretary:

NEW YORK, May 18, 1896.

*To the Board of Governors of the New York Athletic Club:*

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Building and Finance respectfully report as follows:

That the plans for the new clubhouse, as originally submitted and as passed upon by the club at its meeting on June 12th, 1895, which authorized the expenditure of $490 000 for such building, were carefully considered and completed, with the aid of the best experts in plumbing, sanitation, ventilation, electricity and iron construction, and estimates obtained for the construction of the same.

Such estimates demonstrated that such a building would cost about $800,000, far more than the amount allowed by the club to be expended for its construction, and the plans were modified with a view to reducing its cost. One floor of sleeping rooms was taken out, the slanting roof was removed, and the building on the Fifty-eighth street lot was cut down to four stories in height; the iron construction of same to be of sufficient weight to carry up the building to the original height should the club subsequently desire to do so.

Careful estimates have been obtained as to the cost of the building upon such modified plans, and the committee find that the cost will be (exclusive of architect's and experts' fees, vault privileges and borings) about $680,000.

Upon this estimated cost it would be necessary for the club to authorize some plan that would enable your committee to raise at least $150,000 more than has yet been provided for.

All of the second mortgage bonds have been sold except $45,000, and as the club has had more money on hand during the construction of the building up to the present time than was needed, no effort has been made to sell the balance of these bonds. Your committee feel confident that there will be no difficulty in disposing of these bonds, especially as none have been offered to contractors.

Your committee have given most careful consideration to the question of further reducing the cost of the building by modifying its character, both as to size, interior arrangement and construction, and are convinced that it is not feasible to do so, bearing in mind the necessities of the club and having in view fitting dignity of design, conjoined with adequacy of accommodation, simplicity of construction and perfection of detail in all the appointments requisite for a club of this character.

The site of the new clubhouse is undoubtedly one of the finest in the city. The recent real estate transactions of other clubs indicate that the club centre is rapidly moving uptown, and the building contemplated would undoubtedly be one of the finest clubhouses in the world, certainly in the city of New York. The efforts of your committee, extending through a period of nearly one year, during which they have held over forty meetings, have all been directed toward securing the best results with the least expenditure, and it now remains with the members of the club to insure the completion of the work by putting their shoulders to the wheel and raising the necessary funds. Your committee suggest the following plan for raising the additional funds required:

That the number of life memberships be increased to 500, the price of such life memberships to be $500 each (being a reduction of $100 from the present price), and that authority be given for the issue of $150,000 in five-year 6 per cent. debenture bonds, payable five years from November 1, 1896, or such proportion thereof as may be necessary pending the sale of the life memberships. Such bonds to be received at par at any time before November 1, 1901, in payment of life membership fees (should there be a vacancy), and when so received to be canceled.

After the $150,000 have been raised, any income from life membership fees to be used only for the redemption of such debenture bonds.

The club to retain the right to redeem any or all of said bonds, on any interest day, at 102 and accrued interest (unless purchasable by the club at a lower price).

The increase of life memberships, within the limit of 500, to be in the discretion of the Board of Governors; and the amendment of the Constitution authorizing the increase in number of such life memberships to contain a proviso that any vacancy arising therein from death or resignation, shall not be filled until the number of life members shall be reduced to 200.

Up to the present time only 537 members have subscribed for the bonds necessary to insure the erection of the new clubhouse, and it is hoped that this plan, which offers an opportunity of acquiring a life membership in the club at the very reasonable figure of $500, will be generally approved. Respectfully submitted,

THE BUILDING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE,
By JAMES WHITELY, Chairman.

The recommendations and resolutions suggested by the Board were then read as follows:

NEW YORK, May 22, 1896.

*To the Members of the New York Athletic Club:*

GENTLEMEN—Your Board of Governors having carefully considered the foregoing report of the Building and Finance Committee, heartily approves and adopts the same, and recommends the adoption of the measures therein set forth for the completion of the new clubhouse.

Your Board further requests that it be relieved from the supervision of the construction of the building, and recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the report of the Board of Governors, dated May 22, 1896, be and the same hereby is approved, and that the Board of Governors is hereby authorized and empowered to issue $150,000 in five year 6 per cent. debenture bonds, as therein recommended.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Building and Finance heretofore appointed by the Board of Governors be and it hereby is given full power and authority to proceed with the construction of the new clubhouse at a cost not to exceed $630,000, exclusive of architect's and experts' fees, vault privileges, borings and furnishings; and further be it

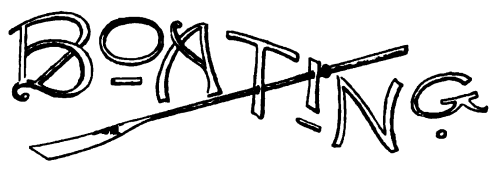
*Resolved*, That the President and Secretary or Treasurer of the club be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute such contracts for said building, within the above limitation as to cost, as may be approved by said Committee on Building and Finance.

Respectfully submitted,
THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

It was then proposed by Mr. A. G. Mills, and seconded by General T. L. Watson,

"That the report of the Board of Governors be received, and that the resolutions therein recommended be adopted."

After the resolution had been passed, remarks urging concerted action by the club members to guarantee the erection of the new house were made by President Whitely, General Watson, Bartow S. Weeks and A. G. Mills. A meeting of the club to amend the Constitution increasing the life membership, was announced for June 8.




## NEW YORK A. C. CREWS WIN.

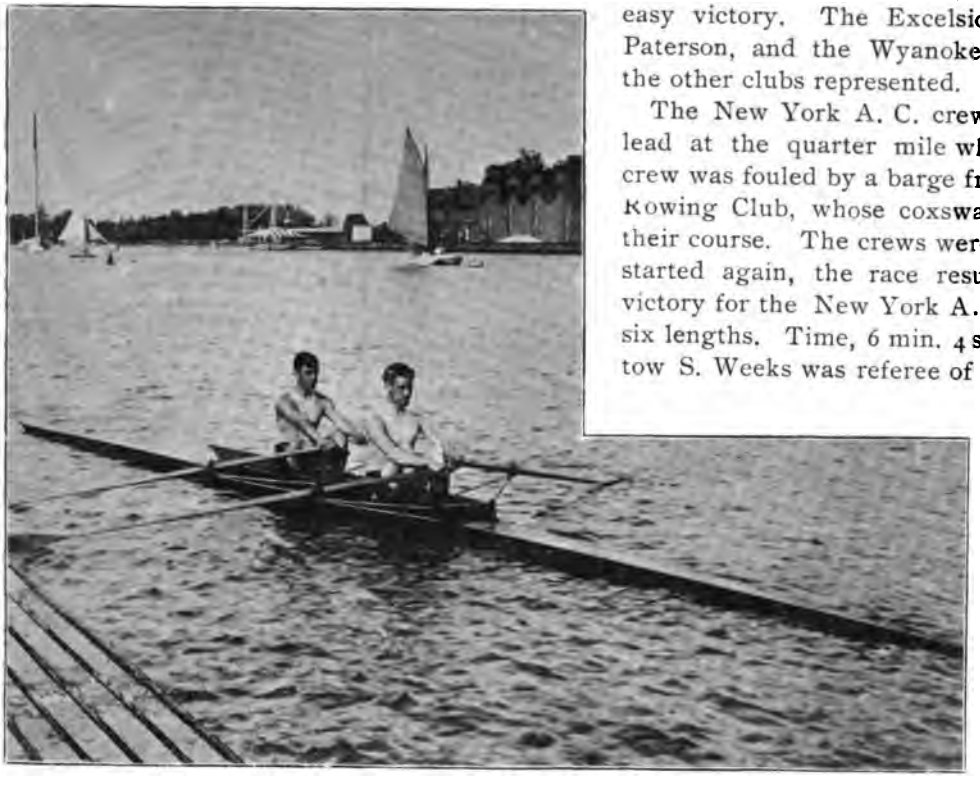
SUCCESS crowned the efforts of the New York Athletic Club oarsmen in the Harlem Regatta on Decoration Day, and the disappointments of last season were fully compensated for.

The Rowing Committee and Athletic Director Giannini have worked hard to retrieve the lost laurels of the club in this branch, and they are to be congratulated on the excellent showing made. Two victories were credited to the New York A. C, and its junior eight-oared crew was only beaten by a 'varsity crew, a defeat almost equivalent to victory, especially as another crew from the University of Pennsylvania finished in the rear of the New York eight.

It was not expected that the crew of boys who carried the Mercury Foot would defeat the University of Pennsylvania eight, with all the advantages of training in their favor, and the principal interest centered in their race with the Bohemian crew.

When the crews were dispatched, the Pennsylvania 'varsity took the lead, rowing a strong and steady stroke, 38 to the minute. The New Yorks had second place, but lost it at the quarter to the Bohemians, and dropped to third place, the Pennsylvania freshman crew bringing up the rear. All were bunched abreast, with a difference of less than half a length between the first and the last crews.

At the half mile the New Yorks, who were rowing a very steady stroke, began to pick up,



N. Y. A. C. JUNIOR DOUBLE.

and moved up to second place again, less than half a length behind the leaders. For a while it looked as if they would overtake them, but the Quakers quickened their stroke and crossed the line a length ahead of the New Yorkers. The Pennsylvania freshman crew was third, the Bohemians having dropped to the rear soon after the half mile. Time, 5 min. 8 sec.

In the senior four-oared shell race the N. Y. A. C. four were W. H. Pinckney, bow; E. J. Keane, 2; F. W. Howard, 3, and J. R. Crawford, stroke. Against them were pitted crews from the Metropolitan Rowing Club and the First Bohemian Boat Club. Neither had a chance with the famous four from Travers Island, the New Yorks leading all the way and winning comfortably by over a length from the Metropolitans. The Bohemians gave up the struggle at half distance. Time, 5 min. 29 1-2 sec.

In the junior double-shell race P. L. Howard, bow, and R. H. Crawford, stroke, gained an easy victory. The Excelsior Boat Club, of Paterson, and the Wyanoke Boat Club were the other clubs represented.

The New York A. C. crew was well in the lead at the quarter mile when the Paterson crew was fouled by a barge from the Dauntless Rowing Club, whose coxswain steered across their course. The crews were called back and started again, the race resulting in an easy victory for the New York A. C. boys by about six lengths. Time, 6 min. 4 sec. Captain Bartow S. Weeks was referee of the regatta.

The success of the New York crews is a stimulus to further efforts, and good work may be expected from the crews entered in the People's Regatta at Philadelphia on July 4. The junior eight should, on public form, graduate from that class, in which case they will probably be entered in the intermediate eight-oared race at the regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen at Saratoga.

The senior four may be confidently relied upon to continue their victorious career at Philadelphia, and again secure possession of the cup presented by Mr. Thomas H. Downing, and will then try for National honors at Saratoga.



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## MEETING.

**June 8—Special Meeting of the Club to Amend Constitution.**

## TRAVERS ISLAND.

**June 3—Ladies' Day. Music, 6.30 p. m.**

**June 10—Ladies' Day. Music, 6.30 p. m**

**June 17—Ladies' Day. Music, 6.30 p. m.**

**June 24—Open Air Band Concert by Old Guard Band, 8.30 p. m.**

## ATHLETICS.

**June 13—Fifty-sixth Open Games.**

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## TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB.

A SPECIAL meeting of the club will be held at the clubhouse, 104 West Fifty-fifth street, New York, on Monday, June 8, 1896, at 8.30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering and acting upon the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of the club:

First—Amend the fourth paragraph of Section 4 of Article III. of the Constitution by substituting for the figures $500 the figures $400, and by substituting for the figures $600 the figures $500.

Second—Amend Section 13 of Article III. of the Constitution so as to read as follows:

13. The number of Resident Members shall not exceed two thousand five hundred; the number of Life Members shall be within the discretion of the Board of Governors, but shall not exceed five hundred, provided, however, that vacancies in this class from death or resignation shall not be filled until the number shall be reduced to two hundred; Non-resident Members five hundred, and Athletic Members one hundred; the number of Junior Members shall be within the discretion of the Board of Governors, but shall not exceed two hundred.

JOHN C. GULICK,
Secretary.

Dated May 26, 1896.

IN considering the easy victory obtained by the New York Athletic Club water polo team over their Canadian rivals, allowance should be made for the different rules under which the visitors played for the first time. They exhibited a commendable spirit in entering the contest under the circumstances, and, as might be expected of sportsmen of such calibre, accepted defeat gracefully. Members of the visiting team freely acknowledge that the game as played in the United States admits of more scientific play than the old style contest, and it is hoped that the recent contest may result in the adoption of uniform rules in both countries.

ON June 13, the day of the Spring games, special trains will be run from 129th street and Third avenue direct to Pelham Manor, without stops, at 1.00, 1.30, 2.00 and 2.30 p. m. Round-trip tickets, 60 cents, will include stage fare.

TO meet the exigencies of the Excise law, members will be required to sign all restaurant or café orders. Cash payments may be made at the office.




THE coasting match, which has been looked forward to for some time by the large band of wheelmen, was successfully decided on May 23. The efforts of the committee to provide a suitable spot for the novel event, resulted in the selection of a hill splendidly situated in the vicinity of Mamaroneck. The road was



surrounded in such a picturesque manner that the large crowd had all the benefits of a country outing, together with the satisfaction of seeing an excellent contest for the handsome pin presented by Mr. Clement H. Wilcox. There was just an element of danger in the course, especially before some of the contestants, who discovered the many loose stones in their trial spins, removed many of the obstacles. The somewhat narrow road and difficult turn might also have proved a serious drawback if the riders had not been particularly expert in controlling their wheels. As it was, only one accident occurred, Mr. W. E. McCredy landing in a ditch with no worse results than a bruised ankle and a broken wheel. Among the spectators were many old-timers of the New York Athletic Club, Ex-President Jennings S. Cox and Mr. Elliott Burris were a couple of the most prominent among these. The latter not only took part in the coasting race, proving himself quite an adept, but his son Theodore also coasted on a good old ordinary, imported especially for the occasion.

Since the event was suggested there has been much discussion as to the advantage of light or heavy men in the contest. The result exploded the theory that weight is an advantage, for the light men were all to the fore in the race. Many of the heavy-weights must have discovered that their chances were at a discount, and failed to take part. Mr. John Seymour Wood and Mr. Louis Orr were, however, a couple of exceptions who tempted fate only to be defeated. Dr. Seneca D. Powell, rather



H. L. HOWARD.

than trust his own ability, left the family honor in the hands of his son, Irwin A. Powell, while he served efficiently as referee of the contest

There was a great struggle between H. L. Howard and M. M. Belding, Jr., for first place, the former just holding out long enough to win by five feet. After the conclusion of the



event the contestants and spectators wheeled back to Travers Island, where an excellent dinner was partaken of, and the crowd assisted in the opening ceremonies of the Island. The event was admirably conducted under the management of the Bicycle Committee. The following were the officials: Referee, Dr. Seneca D. Powell; Judges, H. H. Baxter, F. P. Prial and C. H. Wilcox; Starter, John C. Gulick; Marksman, E. C. Carter. The following is the order of finish of the first six men: H. L. Howard, first, by five feet; M. M. Belding, Jr., second, by five feet; H. G Barnard, third, by twelve feet; P. F. Bruner, fourth, by thirty one feet; F. F. von Bernuth, Jr., fifth, by forty feet; John B. Yates, sixth. The other contestants were:

W. H. McCormack, John C. Gulick, Louis H. Orr, N. E. Gouldy, E. P. Reynolds, M. M. Belding. Jr., J. W. Carter, W. E. McCredy, L. D. W. Seaman, F. A. Myrick, Frank C. Elgar, Elliott Mason, Douglas Henry, Theo. E. Belts, I. A. Powell, F. E. Himrod, Frederick Vilmar, Elliott Burris, Theodore Burris, C. K. Alley, John S. Wood, G. H. Hart, E. E. J. Benson, Dr. Percy Kent, F. E. Fortmeyer, H. S. Godsoe, W. D. Wright. Geo. A. Dean, Edw. Weinacht, O. J. Stephens, J. T. Valentine, E. Valentine, G. G. Van Schaick, Charles A. Reed, C. E. Davenport, F. A. Tanner, W. D. Bourne, D. T. Garrie, L. L. Lawton, C. L. Jones, J. S. Jacobos, H. P. Gibson.

## CHAMPIONS AGAIN.

THE NEW YORK A. C. WATER-POLO TEAM EASILY DEFEATS THE CANADIAN CHAMPIONS.

THE series of water-polo games for the championship of the United States, on May 23, clearly demonstrated the superiority of the New York A. C. team. The victory gained over the team of the Grand Trunk Boating Club was indeed a hollow one, the Mercury Foot representatives coming out of the contest without a single goal being scored against them. Though the New York players rolled up a heavy score, making twelve goals in all, the games were by no means uneven. The Canadians were expert swimmers, well trained, and they understood the art of tackling and most of the fine points of the game. In the middle of the tank they played a really good game, but when the ball neared either goal their work could not compare with that of the local team. Many times the Canadians seemed to have the New York's goal at their mercy, but the vim and dash necessary to break through the strong defense were lacking, and before the Montreal forwards realized their opportunity, Kintner or Thompson would hurl the ball out of danger.

The home team played a brilliant game throughout, fairly upholding the great reputation which the New York A. C. has gained in this branch of sport. The result of the careful coaching which many of the old players have sacrificed much time to give, was evident in the excellent team work. Murray, to whom was entrusted the task of capturing the ball on the dive, never once failed in the endeavor. In addition, he played a fine general game, darting from one end of the tank to another whenever an opening presented. During the early part of the first game one of the Canadians tackled Murray energetically, and was heartily cheered for the vigorous workmanlike manner in which he doused the quarter back. Cheers were given for the New Yorker, however, when he emerged with the ball still in his possession and coolly passed it to a fellow player.

Most of the aggressive work fell to Dickey,

Wenck and Davis, all three performing their parts admirably, and sacrificing the opportunity to make brilliant individual plays for the more effective method of team play. When they stormed the goal, the keepers from across the border were nonplussed and helpless. A pass to one of the trio, and the recipient of the ball would dash over the line, and while the third man took care of the goal keepers and the goal would be touched before the astonished Canadians could murmur "God save the Queen."

Though goal keeping in the New York end of the tank appeared to be a sinecure, yet without such sturdy players as Kintner and Thompson, it is more than likely a few goals would have been scored for the other side. In the evening game it was laughable to see "Old Kint" calmly scanning the tank for an opening to pass the ball, apparently indifferent to the persistent tackling of two opponents, who, in spite of the fact that he never even cast a glance at them, were unable to get under his guard, or even disconcert his aim.

When the referee, Mr. Juan Smith, of the Crescent Athletic Club, blew his whistle for the first game at 1.30 p. m., the space surrounding the tank was well filled. Among the spectators were James Whitely, General Thomas L. Watson, Bartow S. Weeks, J. H. Booth, G. M. Boynton, George H. Eddy, Augustus T. Docharty, Herman E. Toussaint, S. G. Carr, A. Schroeder, W. H. Pinckney, C. G. Petersen, C. G. Bothner, J. E. Leech, Commodore Williams, Samuel Stewart, J C. Wilson, Jr., J. Cox, J. H. Bell, George Schwegler, J. C. Hays, J. O'Brien and C. Schumacher.

At the first attempt for a start the Canadian quarter back was over-anxious and dropped into the water before the signal. He was quickly followed by Murray, but both were recalled and a fair start effected the second time. Murray reached the ball five feet to the good and passed it back, while Dickey and Davis made for the Canadian goal at the deep end of the tank. In a few moments the ball followed them down. Davis passed it neatly to Dickey, who scored a goal, while Murray tackled the goal keeper. It only took 26 seconds to score the first goal, and it could not have been made in much less time if there had been no opposing players in the tank.

Murray captured the ball again, but the Canadians were awake at the second attempt and tackled Dr. Davis so that he failed to pass cleanly. The ball was quickly passed into the New York's territory and it looked as though the visitors would score, when Murray swam to the aid of the goal keeper and threw the ball out of danger. A pretty exhibition of passing by Dickey, Wenck, Murray and Davis ended in the latter scoring a goal with the aid of Wenck's tackling. Wenck made the third goal on a pass from Dickey, assisted by Murray. Davis again reached the visitors' goal mark, but it was five seconds after time had been called, and the first half ended with the score, New York A. C., 3; Grand Trunk B. C., 0.

Only two goals were properly made in the second half, though once the mark was touched by Dickey and the goal disallowed. Murray scored the first after clever passing from Dickey and Davis, and the other one was made by Davis on Dickey's pass. Score: New York A. C., 5; Grand Trunk B. C., 0.

In the evening game, which commenced at 9 o'clock, the New York team took matters easily for the first half, only scoring one goal. In the second portion, however, they gave a grand exhibition of the game, scoring almost at will, making six goals and never giving the opposing players a chance to score. The second game ending New York A. C , 7; Grand Trunk B. C., 0.

The players lined up as follows:

| New York A. C. | Positions. | Grand Trunk B. C. |
|---|---|---|
| F. A. Wenck | Centre rush | R. Wall |
| Dr. J. M. Davis | Right forward | C. McLean |
| W. E. Dickey | Left forward | D. Davis |
| N. Murray | Quarter | H. Stark |
| C. J. Kintner | Goals | R. Kell |
| W. C. Thompson | Goals | R. Starke |

The officials were: Referee—Juan Smith, Crescent A. C. Goal Judges—For New York A. C., Bartow S. Weeks and Harry Buermeyer; for Grand Trunk B. C., T. Wall and Harry Clark. Timers—For New York A. C., Robert Stoll; for Grand Trunk B. C., M. O'Brien.

# General Athletics

## THE FIFTY-SIXTH GAMES.

THE fifty-sixth games of the New York Athletic Club will take place at Travers Island on Saturday, June 13, at 2 p m. The games are open to all amateurs, and the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union and League of American Wheelmen will govern all competitions. There will be positively no postponement. The following are the handicap events to be contested: 100-yard run, 220-yard run, 440-yard run, 15-yard limit; 880-yard run, 40-yard limit; 1-mile run, 100 yard limit; 2-mile bicycle race, 120-yard hurdle race, 1-5 mile hurdle race (10 hurdles); throwing 16-lb. hammer, putting 12-lb. shot, pole vault. The scratch events are: Running high jump, running broad jump, 1-mile bicycle race.

A gold medal will be given to first, silver to second, and bronze to third, in each event.

## FENCING.

THE dinner of the Amateur Fencers' League of America was held in the clubhouse May 6. A very enjoyable evening was spent. One of the principal features after dinner was the presentation to Mr. S. T. Shaw, the generous patron of the sport, of a very fine medal. Mr. Shaw was successful in winning the club championship this year, defeating such fine fencers as C. G. Bothner, G. Kavanagh and Dr. J. T. Kemp. Shaw and Bothner tied on the first round with eight points each.

The junior championship took place on May 21, and some new blood was introduced in the contest. The struggle between the first three men was very close indeed, each of them defeating two of the three men with whom they fenced. The standing at the end was L M. Lawson, 30.50, first; C. C. Curran, 27.50, second; C. E. Goodhue, 24, third, and T. B. Gifford, 14.50, fourth.

## WEFER'S GREAT RUNNING.

THE feature of the Intercollegiate games on May 30 was the wonderful running of Bernard J. Wefers in the sprint races. The performances of all amateurs pale before the record made by him in the 220-yard dash, and it is doubtful if even the great professional Hutchens, if he had run the distance against time, could have beaten the marvelous figures of 21 1-5 seconds made by Wefers.

Some idea of the relative value of the performance can be gained by the fact that the second man, H. S. Patterson, was beaten ten yards by the winner, yet Patterson finished the distance in 22 1-5 seconds, fast enough to win most Intercollegiate races. Wefers also won the 100-yard race easily, equaling the world's record of 9 4-5 seconds.

Men who have carried the colors of the New York Athletic Club were also to the fore in the other events. T. E. Burke, another International winner, won the quarter-mile race in 50 2-5 seconds. His runner-up was T. R. Fisher, the young brother of Bob and Jack Fisher, who ran a gallant and remarkable race for his freshman year.

In the one-mile run George Jarvis, who has been under a spell since he won the Metropolitan championship mile for the New York Athletic Club in 1894, showed that he had regained his form by beating Orton two yards, the last quarter being run in 60 2-5 seconds. L. P. Sheldon not only won the broad jump, but furnished a great surprise in the low hurdle race, in which he finished a close second to the record holder, Bremer, losing his chance of victory by striking the eighth hurdle while a trifle in the lead.

C. Chadwick placed the hammer-throwing contest to the credit of Yale. The New Haven University completely vanquished her opponents in the point contest, scoring more than the joint total made by Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania.

# CYCLING

## NEW YORK A. C. RACING TEAM.

DURING the past month Captain Bartow S. Weeks has been arduously engaged organizing a cycling team to represent the club on the racing path this season. Though the club has had many fast cyclists among its members, they have only raced spasmodically



GEORGE E. RUPPERT.

during the past few seasons, and have received but little official encouragement and no special trainer to instruct and look after them in their work.

The stringent amateur rules recently drawn by the League of American Wheelmen was the incentive which prompted the formation of a racing team. Under the new regime it is distinctly understood that amateur cyclists must pay their own traveling expenses, and even their own entrance fees. This insures a class of competitors on the amateur circuit entirely different from those who raced as amateurs under the easy-going rules of previous years.

A team of five young men have now been selected to carry the Mercury Foot in the New York State circuit races who are well and favorably known both in club and racing circles, and they may be depended on to bring credit to the club wherever they compete. Mr. W. B. Young, who will accompany the team as trainer and manager, is known throughout the United States, and in 1894 had charge of Titus, who won the five-mile National championship, and also broke the amateur hour record.

In 1895 Young trained C. M. Murphy, who also won the five-mile championship.

The following are the dates and places of the meet:

June 6, Fredonia; 9, Rochester; 11, Geneva; 13, Ilion; 15 and 16, Utica; 18, Little Falls; 20, Cohoes; 22, Troy; 23, Saratoga Springs; 24, Albany; 27, Brooklyn.

A brief record of the members of this team is as follows:

IRWIN A. POWELL

is the son of Dr. Seneca D. Powell, chairman of the Bicycle Committee. He began racing in 1892 and won the Inter-Scholastic championship and half-mile junior championship of America that year. He won several races in 1893, defeating, among others, F. F. Goodman, the Inter-Collegiate champion. In 1894 he won every school race except at the I. S. A. A. games, where he fell, and also won the New Jersey A. C. and New York A. C. mile and two-mile handicaps. Powell won the I.S.A.A. championship in 1895, and the championship of Greater New York, and the mile handicap at Plainfield, doing 2:15 from the fifty-yard mark in his heat. He has started in over thirty races, and was unplaced but once, not including seven falls.

GEORGE E. RUPPERT

commenced riding in 1894, and won the Inter-Scholastic championship that year in 2:40 2-5, breaking the school record. In 1895, at Asbury Park, he won the one-mile handicap from scratch in 2:25 1-5, also the Columbia University championship and several other important events. Ruppert is 21 years of age, and a very promising rider.

G. B. UNDERHILL.

G. B. Underhill is a Columbia University student, only 19 years of age, and the youngest member of the New York A. C. team. He has only been racing since last year, but has shown wonderful speed and stamina for one so young. At Asbury Park, May 30, 1895, he won his novice race against a big field in 2:33 1-5, running second in the half-mile handicap the same day. On June 2 he won the 2:40 class at Trenton, N. J., from such men as Douglas, Ruppert and others. At Princeton games, May 23, 1896, he ran second in the five-mile scratch race, beating Fearing, his college mate.



G. B. UNDERHILL.

H K. BIRD

commenced riding in 1891, and won an indoor Inter-Scholastic safety championship. He won a novice race from sixty contestants, beating Von Lengerke, who shortly after won the great Irvington-Millburn race by several lengths. Bird held the two-mile collegiate record, as well as the Columbia College championship and record. In 1894 out of ten starts he won five firsts, three seconds and one third, defeating the best Class A riders of the year. In 1895, owing to several bad falls, Bird was forced to leave the track, but this year gives promise of regaining his past form. He is particularly speedy for short distances.

RAY DAWSON

has been racing for several years and is credited with being one of the best handicap riders in this vicinity. He has carried the winged foot to the fore many times. His most important win last year was the half-mile championship of New Jersey. On Decoration Day (May 30, '96), he won two-mile and three-mile handicaps from scratch in 5:01 and 7:42. He now attends Stevens Institute and resides at Boonton, N. J.

## CYCLING NOTES.

THE following will be found of value to cyclists who want to know how fast they are going by simply looking at their watch for a few seconds. The time constant of a bicycle may be found by multiplying $\frac{1}{18}$ into the gear of the bicycle. Thus the time constant of a bicycle whose gear is 56 is $5 \times 56 \div 28 = 10$ seconds.

Here are the constants for bicycles of thirteen different gears:

| GEAR. | TIME CONSTANT. | GEAR. | TIME CONSTANT. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 50 | 8.9 | 70 | 12.5 |
| 52 | 9.2 | 82 | 14 6 |
| 54 | 9.6 | 84 | 15.0 |
| 56 | 10 | 88 | 15.7 |
| 57 | 10.1 | 89 | 15.8 |
| 60 | 10.7 | 91 | 16 2 |
| 63 | 11.2 | | |

All that the wheelman on a bicycle, or an observer some distance off, need do to find the rate of speed of a bicycle, is to count the number of times he presses down one of his feet during the time constant of the wheel. Thus, if he presses down his foot fourteen times in twelve seconds (the time constant). he is traveling at the rate of fourteen miles an hour. A cyclist may sometimes with advantage use ten times the time constant of his bicycle. When this is done, the number counted must be divided by ten. This is done simply by regarding the right-hand figures as tenths of miles. Thus a person counts 134 down strokes of his foot in ten times the time constant of his bicycle. He is then riding at the rate of 13.4 miles an hour.

MR. J. H. HANSON won the prize for the most trips to Travers Island and return during the months of March, April and May. Twenty-eight trips were made by him in the three months. The total mileage made amounted to 1,077 miles. Mr. Hanson's greatest activity was shown in April, when in the eight eligible days he made sixteen trips. On April 12 and 26 Mr. Hanson made the journey three times, covering 108 miles each day.

THE illustrations of the coasting contest were kindly furnished by *The Wheel*, which published an exhaustive story of the event in its issue of May 29.

# CLUB CURRENTS

## OPENING DAY.

TRAVERS ISLAND was formally and successfully opened for the season on May 23 The arrival of visitors commenced shortly after noon, and every train afterward contained its complement of members and friends who, as soon as business hours were over, sought the invigorating breezes of the Island. About half-past five the throng increased to a crowd with the arrival of the cycling division, who came from Mamaroneck in a pleasant humor after the successful decision of the coasting match.

The next notable arrivals were some of the visiting delegation of Montreal water-polo players, who ran up from the city house between the two games, in charge of C. E. Knoblauch, H. E. Buermeyer and Fred J. Wells.

Mr. James D. Foot, the chairman of the Island Committee, was present to note the effect of the improvements made in the restaurant service this season, and under the energetic direction of Manager Schwindt, an excellent dinner was served.

A pleasant evening's entertainment was provided under the personal supervision of Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, the professional efforts being followed by a humorous recitation volunteered by Mr. James S. Burdette.

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IT is evident that C. H. Kilpatrick still retains his form. At the games of the New Jersey A. C. on Decoration Day he won the half-mile special handicap from scratch in 1 min. 56 3-5 sec.

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TABLES have been reserved in the café for the convenience of members in cycling costume.

THE club bowling championship was won by the veteran James W. Carter, who won thirteen of the fifteen games played. Herman Toussaint and M. Cowperthwait each won twelve games and tied for second place.



MR. JAMES W. CARTER.

It is some years since the old-timer gained the distinction of champion, and none will begrudge his again tasting the sweets of victory.

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## OBITUARY.

MR. JOHN B. SHERIFF died May 26, 1896.

MR. E. E. BRUNER died May 29, 1896.

MR. HOWARD DE F. EARLE died May 23, 1896.

THE principal fixtures for the season at Travers Island are the spring and fall games on June 13 and September 26. On these days special trains will be run on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Road.

The Old Guard Band will give the first concert of the season on Wednesday, June 24. Every Wednesday is especially set apart for ladies, and varied musical features will be provided.

The facilities for reaching the Island will shortly be improved, as the railroad company have started to four-track the branch road from New Rochelle to the Harlem River. This will enable the management to run trains half hourly instead of hourly, as hitherto. The usual special tickets for members of the New York Athletic Club at a round-trip fare of twenty-five cents, have been again provided this year. The trains leave Third avenue and 129th street at a quarter to every hour. The following are the rates for rooms at the Island: Single rooms, $1.00 per day, $6.00 per week, $70.00 for the season. Double rooms, $2.00 per day, $10.00 per week, $140.00 for the season.

## PERSONALS.



MR. LOUIS L. LAWTON and Mr. Campbell Smyth have just completed a bicycle tour from Travers Island through New Haven, Hartford, Springfield, Pittsfield, Albany, Poughkeepsie and back to New York. The roads were good nearly all the way, except a stretch of about a hundred miles through the Berkshire Hills. They warn clubmates against Western Massachusetts in the spring of the year. About 350 miles were covered in eight days.

MR. S. E. CREMINS has forwarded to the JOURNAL an article translated from a Greek paper, containing some novel ideas of the barbarous customs of the Americans who competed in the Olympian games. Credit is given to the medicinal qualities of chewing gum in this way: "The American runners have the foot of a hare, and when about to run they murmur something and then enter the contest. Two of them continually chew pitch. This strengthens the lungs."

THE Board of Governors of the Stock Exchange has announced its committees for the ensuing year. President James Whitely, in addition to again serving as Chairman of the Finance Committee, has his duties increased by accepting a place on the Committee on Admission.

MR. LOUIS H. ORR would probably have finished nearer the front in the coasting match if some fair spectators had not exclaimed as he came shooting down the hill, "Oh, what a handsome fellow!" Of course he had to put the brake on, and lost many yards.

THE visiting Canadians were entertained at Travers Island on the day following the water-polo match. President James Whitely, Captain Bartow S. Weeks, Walter S. Baldwin, F. J. Wells and W. E. Dickey helped the strangers spend a pleasant afternoon.

MR. A. H. SEAMAN, whose eagle eye delights in detecting misplaced pins in the bowling alley, is now in the newspaper business, having purchased the East Chester *Citizen*, published at Tuckahoe.

MR. JAMES L. FLING looks with disdain on cycling academies. He took his new wheel to the lonesome roads in the vicinity of Spring Lake, where he wrestled to a fall with the machine.

MR. S. S. BLOOD sailed for Europe on May 20. On the same day Mr. T. Avery Collett and his wife left for a tour through England, Scotland, France and Italy.

MR. C. C. MACY and Mr. W. F. Pendleton have purchased a 30-foot naphtha launch named Ino.

DR. SAMUEL KETCH has been elected president of the American Orthopædic Society.

MR. ARTHUR J. MOORE has taken to the wheel. Wonders will never cease.

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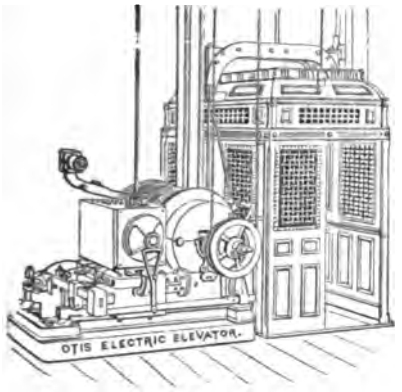
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## MANY VICTORIES FOR N. Y. A. C. ATHLETES.

ALTHOUGH only a small team of athletes have been in training at Travers Island, the New York Athletic Club colors have been frequently in front at most of the important athletic meetings during July.

In addition to the all-around championship at Bayonne and the relay race at Philadelphia, many winning brackets were earned on July 4.

H. S. Lyons was easily the star of the day at the People's sports in Philadelphia. Besides being on the winning relay team, he won the quarter-mile handicap from scratch in 51 2-5 seconds, and the 220-yard handicap from 13 yards in 21 2-5 seconds. S. K. Gerard finished second in the latter event. R. Sheldon was second from scratch in the shot-putting contest with the creditable put of 42 feet 2 inches.

At the New Jersey Athletic Club games, M. P. Halpin, who is running better than ever, won the 100-yard handicap from the three-yard mark in 10 1-5 seconds. He also finished third in the 220-yard handicap. On the same day, at Albany, C. H. Kilpatrick won the half-mile handicap from scratch.

At the Cuban Carnival games, on July 7, Halpin won the 220-yard handicap with an allowance of 11 yards on Wefers, who did not start, and A. B. Dalby at last broke the streak of ill luck which always kept him in second place by winning the half-mile handicap from 35 yards in 1 minute 58 3-5 seconds.

At the Institute Athletic Club games, on July 11, only places fell to the share of the New York Athletic Club representatives, Halpin taking second in the 100 and McCrae third in the 220 yard handicaps.

The team took a trip to Stamford, on July 18, where no one had the temerity to oppose the following team in the relay race: G. M. Sands, A. B Dalby, H. S. Lyons and C. H. Kilpatrick. The men ran over the course in 3 minutes 48 seconds. A. B. Dalby won the quarter-mile handicap from the 18-yard mark in the smart time of 48 2-5 seconds. McCrae finished second and Lyons third.

The St. George Athletic Club games closed the campaign for the month with a popular victory for K. F. McCrae in the 300-yard handicap. The Australian showed a trace of his true form. George Sands, who finished third, also showed evidence of returning to championship form. L. P. Sheldon took second place in the high jump, and E. B. Bloss gave an exhibition hop-step-and-jump of 46 feet 3 inches at the same meeting.

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THE floor plans for the gymnasium of the new clubhouse are published on pages 10 and 11 of the Journal this month. They show the grand accommodations for athletic and gymnastic exercises the new clubhouse will provide.

## MR. DANIEL D. YOUMANS.

IT is with feelings of the deepest regret that we refer to the sudden death in Norway of Daniel D. Youmans under most distressing circumstances. Mr. Youmans was deservedly one of the most popular men in the New York Athletic Club. Everyone who came in contact with him admired the sterling qualities which were apparent in his every action.

The energy which made Mr. Youmans a successful business man has been partly devoted for the past three years to the good of the New York Athletic Club, and his associates on the Board of Governors will miss his counsel at their meetings as much as his host of friends will feel his absence from the social gatherings of the club.

At a meeting of the Board of Governors the following was spread upon the minutes:

"The New York Athletic Club has been advised of the death of Daniel D. Youmans while traveling abroad. The announcement of his death was a shock to all of the members of the club, and the sudden manner of his demise made it hard to realize that the club had lost one of its most staunch and valued members.

"Mr. Youmans joined the New York Athletic Club in 1889. He was elected to the Board of Governors in 1893, and in 1894 became Chairman of the Committee on Admissions, as well as a member of the House Committee. In 1896 he was appointed as Chairman of the Office and Auditing Committee, and occupied that position, as well as a member of the House Committee, at the time of his death. He was always devoted to the interests of the club; always active in and attentive to the performance of his duties, and his counsels were those of a conservative, thoughtful and conscientious man. This club has met with a serious loss in his death, and in placing its tribute to his worth upon record, desires also to express to his family its most sincere sympathy in their bereavement."

In addition to holding a prominent position in the New York Athletic Club, Mr. Youmans was a member of the Colonial and Republican Clubs. He was also a member of the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and one of the principal movers in the Blooming Grove Park Association.

Mr. Youmans has for many years been a director of the Oriental Bank, and Treasurer of the Church of the Divine Paternity.

His re-election to these offices occurred as a matter of course, and it is a source of gratification at the present moment to think that one of the greatest tributes to his worth was paid by



the New York Athletic Club when its members re-elected him to the Board on an opposition ticket while Mr. Youmans was traveling in Europe and was not even aware of his nomination.

The hat trade, of which Mr. Youmans was such a prominent member, met in convention since his death. Many speeches of regret were made, and the following is one of several resolutions which show how highly our fellow member

was regarded by his commercial brethren: "That in the death of Mr. Youmans the trade has lost one who, by his integrity of character, ability and application to business, and enterprise as a merchant, lifted its standard and maintained its dignity as an important factor in the commercial world."

## CYCLE ROUTE TO TRAVERS ISLAND.

BY WILSON R. YARD.

FROM the Cycle House we wheel up the Boulevard to 106th Street, then east to Central Park, emerge from the Park at 110th Street, and follow Seventh Avenue to 116th Street; we then turn to the left upon St. Nicholas Avenue, and make a long, gradual ascent over smooth macadam to 161st Street. Taking the west fork, we cross the cable-road into the Kingsbridge road, traverse Washington Heights, turn in at Christ's Hotel and cross Washington Bridge. Leaving the bridge, we turn to the left, pass the Ogden estate, swing to the right through Featherbed Lane, shaded with oaks and elms, then turn to the left on the Macomb's Dam road, where, at the top of the hill, we pass on the left the old stone mansion of the Morrises; then down the hill and by "Fairlawn" and the Berkeley Oval. Now the way leads up a slight hill, through a bower of trees, and presently brings us to the Fordham Landing road, where we turn to the right, over the aqueduct, cross Jerome Avenue, and run down hill to Fordham. Crossing the sunken tracks of the Harlem Railroad we go out Pelham Avenue, passing, on the left, the extensive grounds of St. John's College. Now comes a gradual ascent, and then a race down the hill, across the Southern Boulevard and the bridge over the Bronx. To the left lies Bronx Park, with the Lorillard mansion and the old snuff mill close by. Proceeding over a slight rise, we find that the road forks. The branch to the left leads to the park; the right fork, which we follow, leads over the hill and through the small settlement of Bronxdale, where we cross the old Boston road and keep straight out, following the trolley-line to Mt. Vernon as far as Morris Park, where the track bends sharply to the right, toward West Farms. Leaving the rails, we keep straight on by the handsome race track, down the hill under the New Haven Railroad, and turn to the left into Westchester, following the street-car line on Westchester Avenue straight into the village, which has little to detain us except the beautiful shaded old graveyard around the handsome church.

Leaving Westchester Village we follow the main street on to the bridge crossing Westchester Creek, then turn to the left where the road branches.

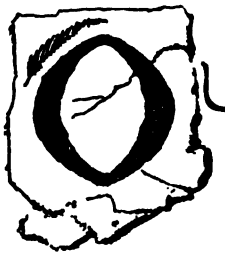
Beyond Westchester Creek our route (the Pelham road) makes a gradual ascent of a bluff, skirting the broad salt-meadows along the creek verge.

A short distance farther, where the road turns, there stands a wayside inn, built in 1753. We bear to the right beyond this relic of colonial good cheer, and up over the hill through a little settlement, and then enter Pelham Bay Park. From here on through the Park the road has been broadened and improved as "Pelham Parkway;" beyond the Park the Pelham road resumes its name. The Parkway is now in fine condition, and offers good wheeling; it leads us rapidly across a stretch of shoreland, then up a slight hill, and down on the Pelham Bay bridge.

We wheel along a shady avenue through Bartow, where a road leads to the right to City Island and to pretty spots along the shore of Pelham Bay Park.

Beyond Bartow, which is ensconced in large woods, comes another bit of salt-meadow, where, to the right, we catch a distant view of Long Island Sound; and after that a rising stretch, where the riding is not more than passable among park improvements, until we reach the stone-pillared entrance to Hunter Island, now a part of the Park, but not long ago the homestead of an old family, who had here a finely cultivated estate.

The road now bends to the left down into a little dell, then around and up a slight hill to Pelham Priory, deep among the trees, opposite which is the entrance to Travers Island.



# UR OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO THE FACT THAT OFFICIAL NOTICES WILL BE PUBLISHED ONLY IN THE JOURNAL AND UNDER THIS HEADING.

## TRAVERS ISLAND.

**August 5—Ladies' Day. Music 6.30 p. m.**

**August 12—Ladies' Day. Music 6.30 p. m.**

**August 19—Ladies' Day. Music 6.30 p. m.**

**August 26—Open Air Band Concert, Rampone's Band, 8.30 p. m.**

**September 5—Clambake.**

## ROWING.

**August 12 and 13—National Association of Amateur Oarsmen Regatta at Saratoga.**

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## RESIDENCE AT TRAVERS ISLAND.

ALTHOUGH the delights and conveniences of a bachelor residence are well known to those gentlemen who form the happy family of "Regular Boarders," many members of the club who are in a position to avail themselves of a summer residence there are unacquainted with the numerous improvements which have rendered the opportunity to room at Travers Island one of the most valuable privileges of club membership.

The impression has prevailed that the cost of living at Travers Island was expensive compared with many of the popular summer hotels in the vicinity of New York city. This, however, is erroneous, and recent innovations arranged by the Restaurant Committee enable the "boarder" to estimate his expenses to a nicety.

The service of a club dinner at the Island, at a cost of one dollar, met at once with popular approval, showing that Chairman T. Hamilton Burch was thoroughly justified in its institution The courses are well selected and the service efficient in every respect. A good breakfast may be obtained for fifty cents, making the total cost of a day's residence about $1.50, or a trifle over ten dollars a week.

When it is generally known that every resident at the Island is "at home" in every sense of the word among congenial clubmates and employees whose purpose it is to study the comfort of the members, and that the Island has exceptional facilities for sport and outings of every variety, it will be remarkable if an invasion of the "Regular Boarders'" territory does not ensue.

## OPENING OF HUCKLEBERRY ISLAND.

THE pomp and ceremony for which the tribe of Huckleberry Indians are justly famous were brought into play on July 12, when the Island was formally opened for the season. A grand success must be chronicled; in fact, the greatest in the history of this great people. Early in the forenoon the exodus from Travers Island began. The eight, six, fours, doubles, pairs and singles were quickly manned and headed for the scene of revelry, until no craft remained but the flat-bottomed ferry boats, and even one of these was pressed into service by a belated Indian

The cargo of supplies had been landed early, including the clam steamer presented by E. P. Reynolds to his clansmen. Frank Roe's naphtha launch also made frequent trips, carrying provisions which were found necessary to appease the appetites of the ravenous horde.

After the Indians had gorged themselves until they were ashamed to look a clam in the face, and disported themselves to their heart's content in the sad sea waves, Commander-in-Chief Bob Kammerer marshaled his forces and surrounded King Schaefer, who, in response to the cheers which greeted him, addressed his subjects in this manner:

"Fellow Indians and Lunatics—This immense gathering marks a new era in the history of the Huckleberry Indians, and it is our duty to suitably recognize it. During our winter's exile from the happy hunting grounds of soft clams and sunburn, I have tried to fit myself for the leadership of this great tribe. In pursuit of knowledge I have, though no cannibal, devoured all authors of Indian literature from J. Fennimore Cooper to Richard Croker, but can find no trace of any Indian nation that owned a flag. Let the Huckleberries be the first to possess a standard. I take pleasure in



PRESENTING THE FLAG.

presenting to the tribe a flag thoroughly emblematic of our origin and purpose. Defend it with your lives, and while it waves over you in your feasts do not consider your duty done until the last clam in the steamer has been dispatched and every keg stands on its head."

After the cheering had subsided General Cable was summoned from the ranks. He accepted the flag in a few well chosen words, and the presentation ceremony then concluded with the execution of the German Fifth March.

Among the Indians present were: G. B. Hand, M. Bishop, C. H. Liebert, R. Stoll, T. L. Cooke, J. B. Cox, E. Weinacht, N. E. Gouldy, W. A. Cable, H. E. Zittell, Dr. O'Dell, M. Kaesche, W. E. Dickey, Fred Wenck, F. A. Wattenberg, H. E. Toussaint, A. C. Fiske, F. H. Romaine, R. C. Kammerer, L. W. Seaman, O. C. Hicks, W. Sprague, R. D. Radcliffe, Jr., Jno. H. Murphy, Jas. R. Crawford, Wm. F. Mohr, H. C. Davidson, E. F. Schenck, Jas. Lowerre, Edw. H. Koch, Geo. Schwegler, B. Bogert, S. Stewart, E. P. Reynolds, C. B. Keyes, R. J. Schaefer, F. G. Fullgraff. R. B Davison, W. J. Davison, R. E. Lee Mordecai, Dr. Wm. T. Todt, Hy Schwarz, Dr. E. Smith, A. J. Kerwin, W. D. Bourne, W. H. Harrison, A. Schroeder, E. Thorp, E. Crawford, E. C. Carter, G. E. Grant, E. N. Blancke, W. F. S. Hart.

## THE PENDLETON PRIZE.

MOST of the New York Athletic Club wheelmen are enthusiastic road riders, and when Mr. W. F. Pendleton presented a cup for the member who rode on the most days between May 1 and October 1, it was prophesied that there would be a tie for first place between half a hundred riders who have long received credit for riding every day in the season, rain or shine.

The cold facts, however, appear to dispel much of the romance which rumor has connected with the veteran riders of the club. At the end of three months only seven members have thought sufficiently well of their chances for the Pendleton prize to send in their records as required by the rules of the competition. Of these the majority are comparative novices, as will be gleaned from a glance at the names of the following who still have a chance to gain the cup: C. K. Alley, H. J. Farrington, George W. Hart, J. C. Howard, Washington Morton, F. A. Myrick, E. Weinacht.

## COASTING.

SINCE the New York Athletic Club held its coasting competition at Mamaroneck, that form of contest has become popular among wheelmen. The most important fixture in that line is announced to take place under the auspices of the Metropolitan Association of Cycling Clubs, on August 15, at Cedar Grove, N. J.

The managers intend to profit by the experience of the officials at the New York Athletic Club competition. They regret that no records were kept of the initial coast, and announce their intention of keeping full statistics of the coming contest.

Mr. F. P. Prial, who refereed the New York Athletic Club event, will act in that capacity for the Metropolitan Association of Cycling Clubs.

THE death of Mr. Jason H. Miller, on July 14, removes from club circles one of the founders of the club. In fact Mr. Miller's ticket was Number 1, showing that his term of continuous membership has been the longest.

Mr. W. B. Curtis virtually is Number 1, but when he left New York for the West there was a sharp competition for the honor, resulting in favor of Mr. Miller.

As an oarsman and as a man Mr. Miller commanded the respect of all who knew him. He was stroke oar of the Nassau Boat Club when its four-oared and six-oared crews were practically the amateur champions of America. His friends speak highly of his pluck in races. He never seemed to know when he was beaten, and he rarely met with that misfortune.

Mr. Miller's death will be sincerely mourned by the older generation of members who have been associated with him athletically and socially for such a long period.

# General Athletics

## N. Y. A. C. WINS THE POWELL CUP.

QUARTER-MILE running has always been a strong forte of the New York Athletic Club athletes, and the team that went to Philadelphia, on July 4, to compete for the Powell Cup in the one-mile relay race were well qualified to sustain the reputation of the club. It was only necessary for the cup to be won on that occasion to become the property of the club, as the New York Athletic Club team won the event last year.

The runners who wore the Mercury Foot were G. M. Sands, A. B. Dalby, T. R. Fisher, Jr., and H. S. Lyons.

The race did not commence very auspiciously for the New York Athletic Club. Sands, who led off, failed to keep ahead of his opponent. When Dalby took up the running, a further loss was anticipated, as Sands had beaten him in the trial. A pleasant surprise was in store, as the "substitute" dashed ahead and left a comfortable lead for Fisher, who increased the advantage so much that Lyons had only to jog in a winner in 3 minutes 27 2-5 seconds.

## L. P. SHELDON—ALL-AROUND CHAMPION.

THE All-Around Championship of the Amateur Athletic Union was won on July 4 by L. P. Sheldon, of the New York Athletic Club.

The event took place under the auspices of the New Jersey Athletic Club. It was rendered more interesting through the disqualification of Sheldon in the one mile walk. At this point the New York man was so far in the lead that an absolute failure to score was necessary to give his opponents a chance. This disqualification put him several hundred points behind, and all the pluck and consistency for which he is noted was required to pull him out a winner.

In the pole vault, an event which came late on the programme, Sheldon eclipsed all his previous performances by clearing 10 feet 3 inches. His dogged determination stood him in good stead in the one-mile run which finished the competition and landed him a winner.

Final scores: L. P. Sheldon, N. Y. A. C., 5,380; J. F. Larkin, Xavier A. A., 5,115; H. Obertubbesing, New West Side A. C., 2,922.

## E. B. BLOSS—CLUB CHAMPION.

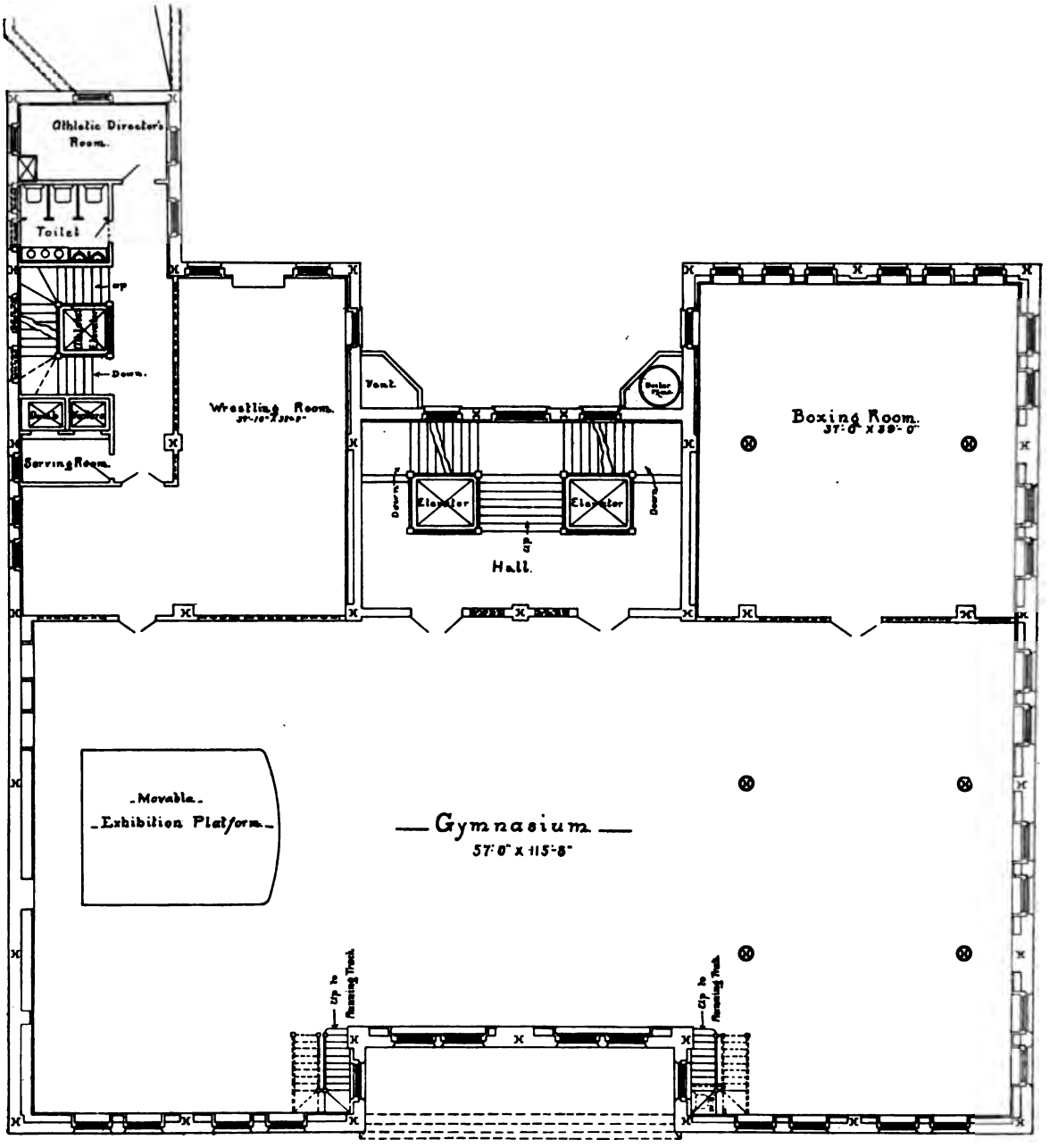
THE all-around competition for the Salmon Cup has furnished excellent sport at Travers Island during the past month. The interest in the competition was maintained until the end, as the eight selected events resulted in a tie between E. B. Bloss and G. G. Winship. To decide the winner of the contest it was agreed to run another 120-yard hurdle race Bloss, who had won that event in the competition proper, again proved victorious and secured the title of all-around champion of the club for the year.

There were six competitors in the initial event. George Schwegler broke down in the 100 yards, while L. P. Sheldon and Hugh H. Baxter failed to compete enough times to qualify.

The following are the scores of the three men who finished the contest:

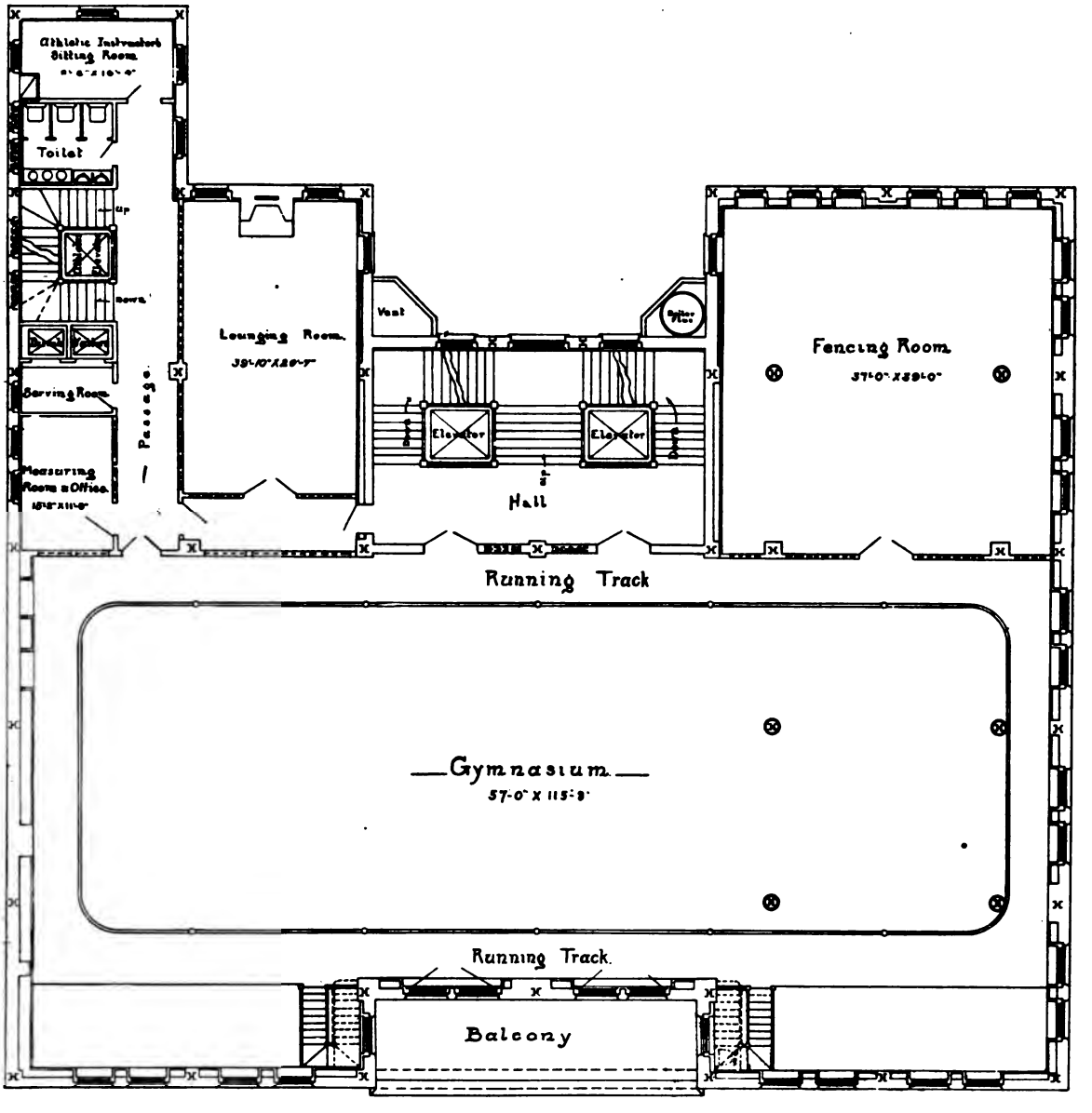
| | Bloss. | Winship. | Halpin. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 100 yards | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 12-lb. shot | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| High jump | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Mile run | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Pole vault | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| 12-lb. hammer | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Broad jump | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 120-yard hurdle | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Totals | 19 | 19 | 10 |

## FLOOR PLANS FOR GYMNA




Fourth Floor Plan.

## OF THE NEW CLUBHOUSE.




Mezzanine Floor Plan

# CLUB CURRENTS

## VAUDEVILLE AT TRAVERS ISLAND

THE Entertainment Committee scored an emphatic success with the vaudeville performance at Travers Island on July 29. The weather has been responsible for so many disappointments at the Island this season that when at last the fine weather greeted a Ladies' Day, it resulted in an immense crowd gathering to hear the concert. In spite of the efforts of the Island and Restaurant Committees the facilities for dining the visitors were overtaxed. About five hundred people required service at once, and this demand certainly exceeded the resources of the Island. The little grumbling which unappeased hunger excited was quickly dispelled when the performance commenced. It was a success from the first number, the liberal applause which greeted the artists culminating in an uproarious reception of Miss Marie Dressler, whose services were volunteered. The dash and artistic rendering of her catchy songs seemed heightened by her appearance in walking costume in lieu of stage apparel.

The excellent programme contained the following numbers:

GILSON & MATTHEWS,
**Eccentric Talking and Singing Comedians.**

MISS SADIE FOX,
**Vocalist and Comedienne.**

WARD & CURRAN,
**Character Vocalists.**

MISS MARIE DRESSLER,
**Songs.**
**(By permission of Klaw & Erlanger.)**

HEELEY & MARBA,
**Comedy Acrobats.**

RICE & HALVERS,
**The Up-to-date Girls.**

ED. LATELL,
**Musical Comedian.**

O'BRIEN, JENNINGS & O'BRIEN,
**Comedy Sketch.**
**Concluding with their amusing Assault-at-Arms.**

THE Entertainment Committee is arranging to give a minstrel show some time during the coming winter. In order to maintain the reputation of the club in this class of entertainment, the aid of all members gifted with histrionic or musical talents is required. Will those gentlemen in a position to volunteer their services, or offer suggestions of any character, kindly communicate with Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, Chairman, Entertainment Committee.

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A CLAMBAKE is scheduled to take place at Travers Island on September 5. It will be fully up to the high standard of previous years, and will have the additional attraction of music as a feature. Tickets, $1.50.

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INSTRUCTOR DONOVAN will give boxing lessons at Travers Island every Monday and Thursday until further notice.

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THE Restaurant Committee has found it necessary to discontinue the table d' hote dinners at the city clubhouse on Saturday as well as Sunday evenings, so many members being out of town during the summer months.

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A LARGE photograph of the Athletic Committee that conducted the International games has been forwarded to Mr. Montague Shearman, the Vice-President of the London Athletic Club, who accompanied the English team The autographs of the members of the committee are also on the photograph, rendering the memento additionally interesting.

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THE excellent reproductions of the Huckleberry groups published in the JOURNAL this month are from photographs by Mr. James Burton, of 135 W. Fifteenth Street, from whom copies may be obtained.



THE New York Athletic Club will be represented in the National Regatta of Amateur Oarsmen at Saratoga on August 12 and 13 by crews of more than average ability, and unless the ill-luck which appears to be a feature of the New York A. C. rowing department interferes, a fair share of the National honors should come to New York.

Athletic Director Giannini says that the men are the most promising he has had under his care for some years.

The greatest interest centers in the eight-oared crew. It is comprised of Juniors, but they will compete in the Intermediate and Senior races at Saratoga.

Through an accident, pure and simple, the crew fouled its opponent in the People's Regatta or it would undoubtedly have won the event.

In a recent trial the boys showed their ability by rowing over the Travers Island course within a few seconds of the best time ever made by the historic "Chippie" crew. They can also row a low stroke of thirty a minute and go faster than any Junior crew that has trained at Travers Island.

The four-oared crew is entered in the International straightaway race and the National race rowed with a turn. In the former event its chances are considered especially good, and it is hoped the veterans will duplicate their Decoration Day victory.

The double is entered in both Intermediate and Senior races. Howard and Crawford are still showing the excellent form which won them such an easy victory in the Harlem Regatta, and are sure to render a good account of themselves among the high class of competitors in the National event.

Members of the club who desire to make the excursion to Saratoga to witness the excellent sport and encourage the New York A. C. representatives, can obtain a reduction of a fare and a third for the return trip on application at the office of the Club.

## OUR VISITORS.

MEMBERS of the New York Athletic Club highly appreciate their right to request the privileges of the club for a period of two weeks for friends who may be visiting the city from a distance. The visitors come from almost all parts of the universe, as may be seen by glancing at the following list of two weeks' cards issued during the month of July:

| NAME. | RESIDENCE. | INTRODUCED BY |
|---|---|---|
| S. B. Brown, | Gloversville, N.Y. | A. R. Weber. |
| H. H. Van Clief, | Po'keepsie, N. Y. | F. E. Coursen. |
| H. S. Whittaker, | London, Eng. | C. E. O'Connor. |
| Dr. W. C. Todt, | Oswego, N. Y. | H. F. Schwarz. |
| Charles Rohl, | South America. | A. B. Dalby. |
| T. D. Rea, | Toronto, Can. | Toronto A. C. |
| F. J. Kennedy, | Toronto, Can. | Toronto A. C. |
| W. J. Mitchell, | Toronto, Can. | Toronto A. C. |
| Richard Merrick, | Washington. | H. M. Raborg. |
| John W. Green, | New Orleans, La. | Y. M. Gym. Club. |
| Col. E. Forester, | British Col. | Wm. Duffy. |
| Maxime Farland, | Cognac, France. | C. Heidsieck. |
| J. Pfan, | Germany. | C. Mannesmann. |
| G. D. Provost, | Boston, Mass. | Wm. T. Anderson. |
| A. H. Monahan, | Cleveland, Ohio. | T. R. Fisher, Jr. |
| Capt. Armstrong, | Asbury Park. | W. A. Cable. |
| Chas. R. Crane, | Chicago, Ill. | C. Mannesmann. |
| Robert Mulford, | Chicago, Ill. | J. B. Hornley. |
| P. V. Raisbeck, | Massachusetts. | R. A. Kathan. |
| G. E. Price, | New Orleans, La. | C. A. de Lima. |
| C. R. Kearnes, | Richmond, Va. | T. N. Motley. |
| Alex. G. Scott, | Rosedale, Miss. | Rob't Gillison, Jr. |
| W. P. Bugg, | Norfolk, Va. | J. D. Probst, Jr. |
| H. L. Wilbert, | Chicago, Ill. | Jos. H. Spofford. |
| John. L. Kendig, | New London, Ct. | F. G. Gillespie. |
| Chas. D. Brecht, | Stamford, Ct. | Geo. S. Redfield. |
| W. B. Vanderpoel, | Princeton, N. J. | G. B. Vanderpoel. |
| A. C. Bodman, | Chicago, Ill. | Geo. E. Lackey. |
| Dr. D. Scriggs. | Mississippi. | H. E. Stafford. |
| Dr. E. W. Curle, | Mississippi. | H. E. Stafford. |
| W. J. Beck, | London, Eng. | F. W. Lawton. |
| W. F. MacCawley, | Philadelphia, Pa. | C. E. Schuyler. |
| H. S. Courtney, | Ashville, N. C. | J. S. Lawrence. |
| J. I. Limantour, | Mexico. | J. M. Motley. |
| T. W. Murphy, | New Orleans, La. | G. O. Gordon. |
| L. H. Mercer, | Savannah, Ga. | G. A. Nicoll. |
| Albert Lindeke, | St. Paul, Minn. | P. W. Hasbrouck. |
| Frank H. Curtis, | London, Eng. | J. D. Probst, Jr. |
| H. W. Garfield, | Albany, N. Y. | John H. Abeel. |
| J. L. McCameron, | Norwalk, Ct. | W. S. Baldwin. |
| W. L. Shearer, | Boston, Mass. | Wm. F. Mohr. |
| H. B. Harding, | Carmel, N. Y. | W. H. Barron. |
| A. C. Moses, | Washington. | J. F. Thomson. |
| H. H. Lobdell, | Chicago, Ill. | Chicago A. A. |
| W. B. Hammond, | Harrisburg, Pa. | G. G. Plyer. |
| John Walden, | Macon, Ga. | P. H. Hartman. |
| Geo. L. Howard, | Northville, N. Y. | C. H. Howard. |
| Alex. Greger, | Petersb'g. Russia. | C. E. Petersen. |
| W. Y. Arrington, | Richmond, Va. | A. P. Watson. |
| T. Hammond, Jr., | Atlanta, Ga. | Hunter Wykes. |
| B. H. Craig, | Alabama. | H. E. Stafford. |
| F. W. McAllister, | Baltimore, Md. | C. B. Ludwig. |

## BASEBALL.

A GAME of baseball between the Athletes and a nine that can only be described as "Has-Beens," amused the visitors to Travers Island.

The abbreviated "Young Mr. Bloss" pitched erratic curves for the Athletes.

McCrae, whose meagre knowledge of the game has been gained since his arrival from Australia, ignored a ball that went over the plate and was on the point of attacking the umpire with the bat because three strikes were called on him, when he declared he only struck at the ball twice.

Sheldon's home run and Halpin's errors were the features of the game. The scores:

| ATHLETES. | R. | H. | P | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Schwegler, c. | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | |
| Bloss, p., s.s. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | |
| Halpin, 2 b.. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | |
| Lyons, s.s., p. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | |
| Winship, l.f. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Sheldon, 1 b. | 2 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 | |
| MacCrae, c.f. | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| Littell, 3 b.. | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | |
| Dickey, r.f.. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| Totals. ... | 5 | 8 | 18 | 9 | 8 | |

| HAS-BEENS. | R. | H. | P. | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deppeler, 1 b. | 2 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 3 | |
| Wood, c..... | 2 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0 | |
| Cowp'w't, p. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | |
| Harley, 2 b.. | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | |
| Hamm'd, 3 b. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | |
| Brown, l.f... | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| Burke, c.f... | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Wilm'rth, s.s. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | |
| Moses, r.f... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| Totals .... | 7 | 11 | 18 | 11 | 5 | |

SCORE BY INNINGS.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Has-Beens..... | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | — | 7 |
| Athletes..... | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | — | 5 |

## PERSONALS.



COMMODORE GEO. J. GOULD, of the Atlantic Yacht Club, conducted a most successful cruise of that club during the month of July—the largest in point of number of yachts and interest manifested on the cruise in the experience of the club. He was actively assisted by Gen. Thos. L. Watson as Fleet Captain, and the New York Athletic Club has in these two gentlemen men who are most actively interested in the welfare and prosperity of this club.

THERE is a merry party of New York Athletic Club members at the Marion House, Lake George. On July 19th, the Mercury Foot pennant was hoisted on the steam launch "Marion," and James Stewart Lee, Rupert A. Ryley, Herman E. Toussaint and others steamed down to Caldwell, where they were reinforced by E. W. Kearney, John T. Muir, C. E. Deppeler and Arthur J. Moore, who had visited Mr. Kearney at Saratoga. The party spent the day at the Marion, returning in the evening to Saratoga.

INSTRUCTOR DONOVAN now visits Travers Island two or three times a week. He is not as expert at swimming as at boxing and was nearly frightened to death when one of the Travers Island jokers caught him unawares and pushed him off the float into the water arrayed in full lawn tennis outfit.

MR. ROBERT T. LYONS is traveling through Europe, studying Old World architecture. He competed in the English broad jump championship on July 4th, and though untrained and suffering from a sprain, took one jump of 20 feet 6½ inches, winning a standard medal for covering over 20 feet.

MR. GEORGE ANDRAE and Mr. T. Avery Collett returned from Europe on July 8 on the Teutonic. The steamer was met down the bay by Mr. H. A. Van Liew's steam yacht "Aquilo," and the travelers received a hearty welcome.

MR. C. L. BERGMANN has been at Far Rockaway during the month of July, where he will remain for the month of August with the exception of a short trip to St. Margaret's Isle.

MR. WALTER S. BALDWIN, chairman of the Athletic Committee, will accompany Mr. A. J. Morgan on his schooner "Viator" during the cruise of the New York Yacht Club.

THE Horse Show at the Staten Island County Fair was under the management of Mr. Thomas H. Downing. That gentleman was also well represented in the exhibits.

MR. ALBERT E. COLLETT plays cricket regularly with the eleven of the St. George's Club. He recently contributed as many as a dozen runs in one innings.

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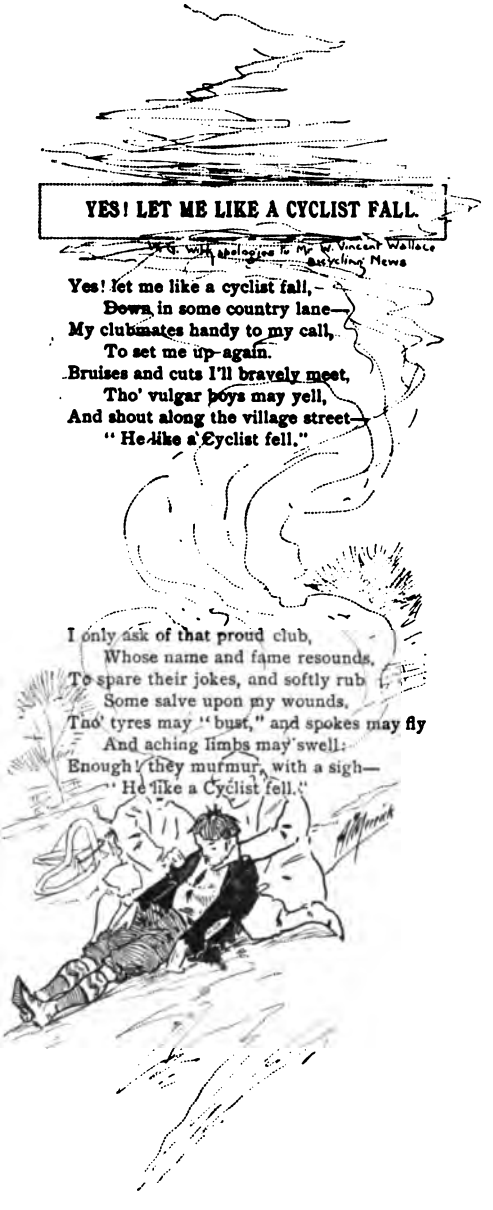
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## CYCLING NOTES.




If the above, published in *The Wheel*, has any reference to the return from Travers Island on the occasion of the opening of Huckleberry Island, the editor of that paper may be on the lookout for libel suits.

Harry Wheeler, who, with C. M. Murphy, the old New York A. C. racer, recently invaded Europe under the management and trainership of W. B. Troy, who had charge of the New York A. C. championship team in 1890–91, has returned from Paris. Wheeler's homecoming was made sooner than expected on account of the illness of his father. In speaking of the European riders, Wheeler says: "Jaap Eden is the fastest man in Europe. They are riding in remarkable form over there, and I don't think that our men have much of a chance. The conditions there are so different. The Frenchmen ride high gears—anywhere from 86 to 96. Then the American wheels are not exactly suited for those tracks. The Municipal track in Paris has such high embankments that our low-built machines handicapped us considerably. They ride high wheels, and that helps them on the banked corners."

It was gratifying to the sportsman who was at Manhattan Beach on July 25 to observe the enormous crowd of Metropolitans that turned out to the meet. It has been estimated that the assemblage numbered all the way from five to twelve thousand souls, and a more enthusiastic and jubilant audience has not been seen in the vicinity of New York for many years. It showed that the interest in cycling as a sport in place of dying out, as has been claimed among New Yorkers, is, on the contrary, growing in intensity. When the New York policemen won over competitors from various cities in the country, the grand stand simply went wild.

Elliott Burris, New York A. C., managing director of Humber & Co., America, Ltd., sailed Wednesday with a member of his staff on the steamship New York. Mr. Burris' object is to take his superintendent through the several Humber factories abroad in order that such improvements may be made in the Westboro factory as are practical in handling American machinery and the employment of American workmen. Mr. Burris expects to be in England six weeks.

Elliott Mason, the substantial, persevering and always-on-the-spot manager of the Pope Company's Warren Street branch, is fishing for two weeks in Canadian waters. Of all the cycling trade representatives in New York few possess more admirable traits than does Mason. He cares little for print-notoriety, and it is doubtful if his photograph has ever been published more than once. He has developed in a high degree the faculty of strictly minding his own business. He does not believe in gas vocabulary. He is the acme of conservatism, is free from gossip, and does not run down his competitors.—*The Wheel*, July 17.

Mr. A. W. W. Evans recently made an attempt to reduce his own American road record for 100 miles. After riding for awhile a downpour of rain necessitated his abandoning the attempt for the time being. He will make another attempt on August 10.

George E. Ruppert, of the New York A. C., rode a mile paced by a "quint" at Manhattan Beach on July 25, in 1 min. 55 2-5 sec. This is faster than the amateur record, but will not be officially recognized as only one timer held a watch on the trial.

Mr. Wilson R. Yard is the author of two books, published by Rand, McNally & Co., entitled "Handy Guide to the Country Around New York" and "Road Maps and Cycling Guide of Westchester County." Both books will be found useful to cyclists.

Mr. P. F. Bruner won the prize for graceful riding in the parade of cyclists at Long Branch on July 18.

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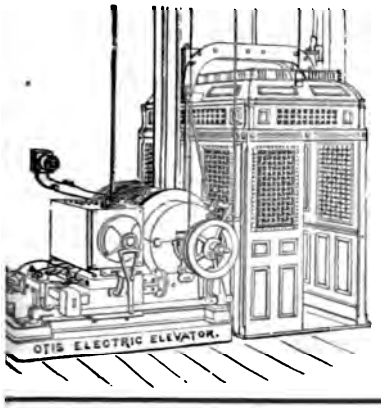
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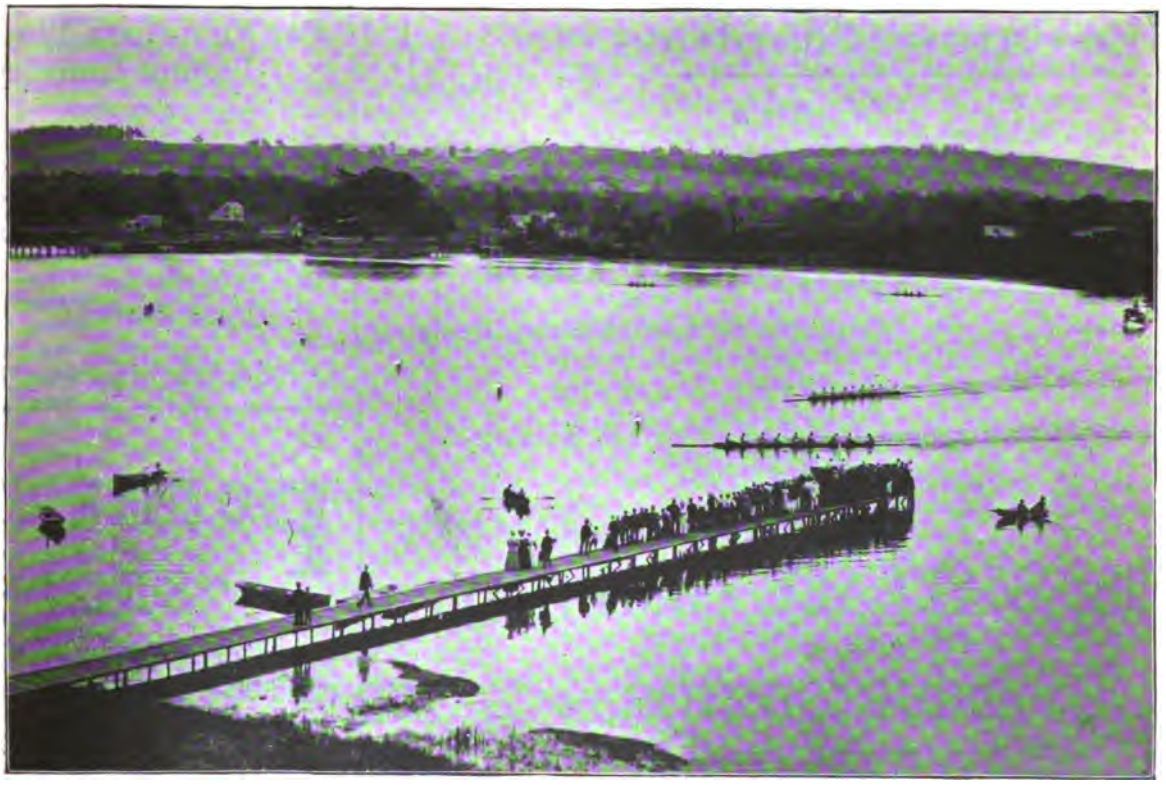
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## FALL GAMES PROGRAMME.

AN interesting programme has been prepared for the fifty-sixth open games of the New York Athletic Club at Travers Island on September 26. To prevent the many crack runners who are likely to compete being interfered with by poor men, the handicaps in the track events are limited. The following are the probable events:

One-hundred-and-twenty-yard Run, handicap, 8 yards limit.
Three-hundred-yard Run, handicap, 12 yards limit.
Six-hundred-yard Run, handicap, 20 yards limit.
One-thousand-yard Run, handicap, 40 yards limit.
One-hundred-and-twenty-yard Hurdle Race on Grass, handicap, 8 yards limit.
Two-hundred-and-twenty-yard Hurdle Race, handicap, 12 yards limit.
Two mile Steeplechase, handicap, 30 seconds limit.
One-mile Relay Race, teams of four men.
Two-mile Bicycle Race, handicap.
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A CLAY bird shooting competition will be held at Travers Island on the day of the fall games. The event will be under the management of the Shooting Committee.

The success of recent competitions argues well for an interesting afternoon at the traps.

Particulars of the event may be obtained from Mr. James D. Foote, Chairman Shooting Committee.

## A. A. U. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

THE Amateur Athletic Union Championship meeting at Manhattan Field on September 12 will be the first opportunity for the New York A. C. team to meet the other crack athletes of the United States on level terms with a programme comprised of championship events.

The local athletic organizations, with the exception of the New York A. C., had a preliminary skirmish in the Metropolitan Championships on August 1, in which, after a hard struggle, the athletes of the New Jersey A. C. won more points than those of the Knickerbocker A. C. It will be interesting to see how the prominent performers at the local meeting will fare when pitted against the strong team which Captain Bartow S. Weeks has selected to represent the club. The list of club members who will probably compete contains the names of many men who have represented the club in past years, as well as some new blood confidently expected to furnish some surprises for the previous champions. The following are the names of those in training: B. J. Wefers, F. A. Lane, E. B. Bloss, M. P. Halpin, F. P. Garvan, H. S. Lyons, K. F. McCrae, C. H. Kilpatrick, W. S. Hipple, A. M. Remington, J. F. Cregan, A. B. Dalby, George W. Orton, Lane Cooper, Ray Dawson, H. M. Stivers, H. K. Bird, R. G. Paulding, F. W. Allis, C. T. Van Winkle, Jesse L. Hurlbut, Jr., L. P. Sheldon, S. A. W. Baltazzi, G. G. Winship, Charles Chadwick, H. P. Cross, George R Gray, R. Sheldon, George Schwegler, S. B. Wood.

## BAND CONCERT.

A PERFECT evening's enjoyment rewarded those who attended the band concert at Travers Island on August 26. Not a cloud obscured the effulgence of the three-quarter moon during the evening, while the air, though not too cold, was delightfully crisp and bracing.

With such environment no wonder the selections rendered in admirable style by Rampone's Band charmed the crowd present, which was large enough for the accommodations provided.

An early commencement allowed all the visitors to comfortably reach their homes in good time after the performance.

Interspersed with the popular airs played by the band were a solo by Mr. Harry Whittier on the euphonium, and vocal selections by Miss Kitty Rampone. By request Miss Rampone sang "My Dad's the Engineer," particularly pleasing her audience with the effort. Her rendition of "One I Love" and "When the Hawthorne Buds Are Springing" also captivated those present. The instrumental pieces were thoroughly appreciated.

Among the ladies present were: Mrs. Bartow S. Weeks, Mrs. Bolam, Miss Whitely, Mrs. Clinton Smith, Mrs. Hazen Morse, Mrs. Bodine, Miss Mataran, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Rich, Mrs. Alexander Wattenberg, Miss Snyder, of Augusta, Ga.; Miss Alice Martin, Miss Pinckney, Miss Florence Pinckney, Miss Dickinson, Mrs. Eugene T. Smith, Miss Emily K. Jones, Mrs. J. C. O'Brien, Mrs. Robert Stoll, Miss Malloy, Miss Edith De Camp, Miss Smyth, Miss Kane, Miss Barclay, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Humphrey, Miss Halpin, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. E. C. Smith, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Lambley, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Morison, Mrs. Raymond T. Smith.

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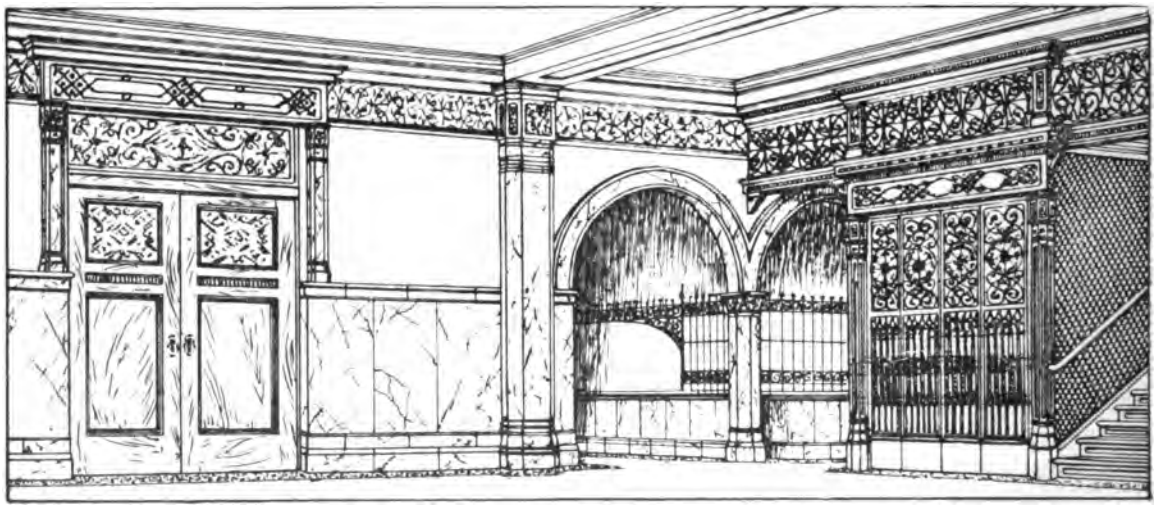
THE cup won by the New York A. C. double-scull crew at Saratoga has a particular interest for club members. Inscribed on the cup are the names of the winners since the organization of the association in 1873. Prominent among them are the following:

"Won by Frank E. Yates and William B. Curtis, of the New York Athletic Club, at Troy, N. Y., September 1st, 1874."

"Won by R. W. Rathborne and Irving A. Lyon, of the New York Athletic Club, at Saratoga Lake, July 10, 1879. Time, 9 min. 18¾ sec."

Both W. B. Curtis and R. W. Rathborne are still enthusiastic members of the New York A. C.

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## N.Y.A.C. ATHLETES WIN LAURELS.

IN the two important open meetings held last month the athletes of the New York Athletic Club met with great success.

The games of the Fourth Regiment A. A. took place at Bergen Point on August 15. In the initial event, a 100-yard handicap, E. B. Bloss, who had five yards start on B. J. Wefers, finished first in 10 1-5 seconds. Wefers was unplaced by the judges, but in the 220-yard run he met with better fortune, getting second place, though conceding long starts to the other competitors. H. S. Lyons had an easy victory from scratch in the 440-yard run in 51 2-5 seconds, and G. M. Sands was second from the five-yard mark. The 880-yard special handicap produced a great race between the two New York A. C. representatives, C. H. Kilpatrick, scratch, and W. S. Hipple, fifteen yards. Hipple fought gamely for the lead after the champion caught him 300 yards from the finish, but Kilpatrick's long stride eventually carried him to the front, and he won, easing up, in 1 min. 57 2-5 sec. Another wearer of the Mercury Foot finished first in the one-mile special run, Lane Cooper defeating the New Jersey cracks, Hjertberg and Bean, from the short mark of twenty-five yards, in 4 min. 30 1-5 sec. A large field started in the half-mile novice race, in which the New York A. C. secured first and third places with C. F. Kingsley and F. V. Dobbins.

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The Mercury Foot was also frequently in the van at the Bay Ridge Athletic Club Carnival on August 29. Kenneth F. McCrae took the honors of the day, with three and one-half yards start in the hundred. He was set a much harder task in the quarter-mile handicap, but running with admirable pluck and judgment, just landed the first prize from a member of the local club, to whom he was conceding twenty-five yards start.

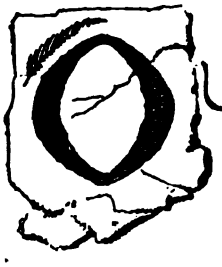
J. F. Cregan, a recent addition to the New York A. C. team, won the mile handicap, adding another to the long list of surprises which have occurred this season. His handicap was sixty yards, and he led the scratch man by twice that distance at half a mile, but contented himself with winning by a margin of twenty yards.

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## OUR VISITORS.

HOW widespread is the fame of the New York Athletic Club may be gathered from a perusal of the list of two weeks' cards, issued during the past month. Visitors from Australia, France, England and Canada are contained in the list, while twenty-eight cities between New York and San Francisco have supplied their complement, as shown by the following list:

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**September 5—Annual Clambake, 5.30 p. m.**

**September 9—Ladies' Day.**

**September 16—Ladies' Day.**

**September 23—Ladies' Day.**

**September 30—Ladies' Day.**

## ROWING.

**September 12—Annual Club Regatta, at Travers Island, 2.30 p. m.**

## ATHLETICS.

**September 12—Annual Championships of Amateur Athletic Union, Manhattan Field.**

**September 26—New York Athletic Club Fifty-sixth Open Games, at Travers Island, 2 p. m.**

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## CLUB REGATTA.

THE annual regatta, open to club members, will take place at Travers Island on September 12, under the direction of W. H. Pinckney, E. J. Keane and R. W. Walden, Rowing Committee. Entries will close on September 11, at 6 p. m. As usual in club regattas the crews will be drawn for on the day of the races.

One of the events which promises to be unusually interesting is a four-oared gig race, open to Regular Boarders. The competitive spirit, long dormant in the hearts of the R. B.'s, has been aroused by the race with the Athletes' crew, and the struggle between them for supremacy will be the topic of conversation on the clubhouse piazza for the remainder of the season. The following are the probable events:

Single shell and gig handicap.
Double-scull gig handicap.
Four-oared gig.
Eight-oared shell.
Four-oared gig, Regular Boarders only.

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AT a meeting of the Board of Governors held Monday evening, August 17, Mr. Orrin M. Beach, Jr., was elected Chairman of the Office and Auditing Committee, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. D. D. Youmans.

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONS.

THE NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB EIGHT AND DOUBLE WIN HONORS AT SARATOGA.

SINCE the memorable year in which the famous "chippie" crew of the New York Athletic Club won the junior, intermediate and senior races in one season, no more popular victories have been gained by the club oarsmen than those achieved at Saratoga on the occasion of the National Regatta on August 12th and 13th.

Unusual interest attached to the races this year in which the New York Athletic Club had entries from the fact that the men comprising the eight were entirely new men, and, after the pattern of the old "chippies," had shown promising form in the first few weeks of their training, bidding fair to develop, with a few more years of experience, into as good a crew as the "chippies," which is considered the standard of excellence in the aquatic department of the club. The success achieved by the new crew is the more remarkable as, in addition to their all being new men, they were unable to avail themselves of the preliminary practice in the rowing machines of the gymnasium, as they were out of order at the time that the crew commenced the light gymnastic work and initial practice of swing, which is one feature of the coaching of Athletic Director Giannini.

A point which indicates that the eight will achieve great success in the future is the sterling racing qualities of the men, who, though they may lack in essential points in practice work—notably form, swing and determination—develop an entirely superior style when the eventful time for the race arrives. A crew of this kind may always be depended upon to improve with age, and place many more victories to the credit of the club.



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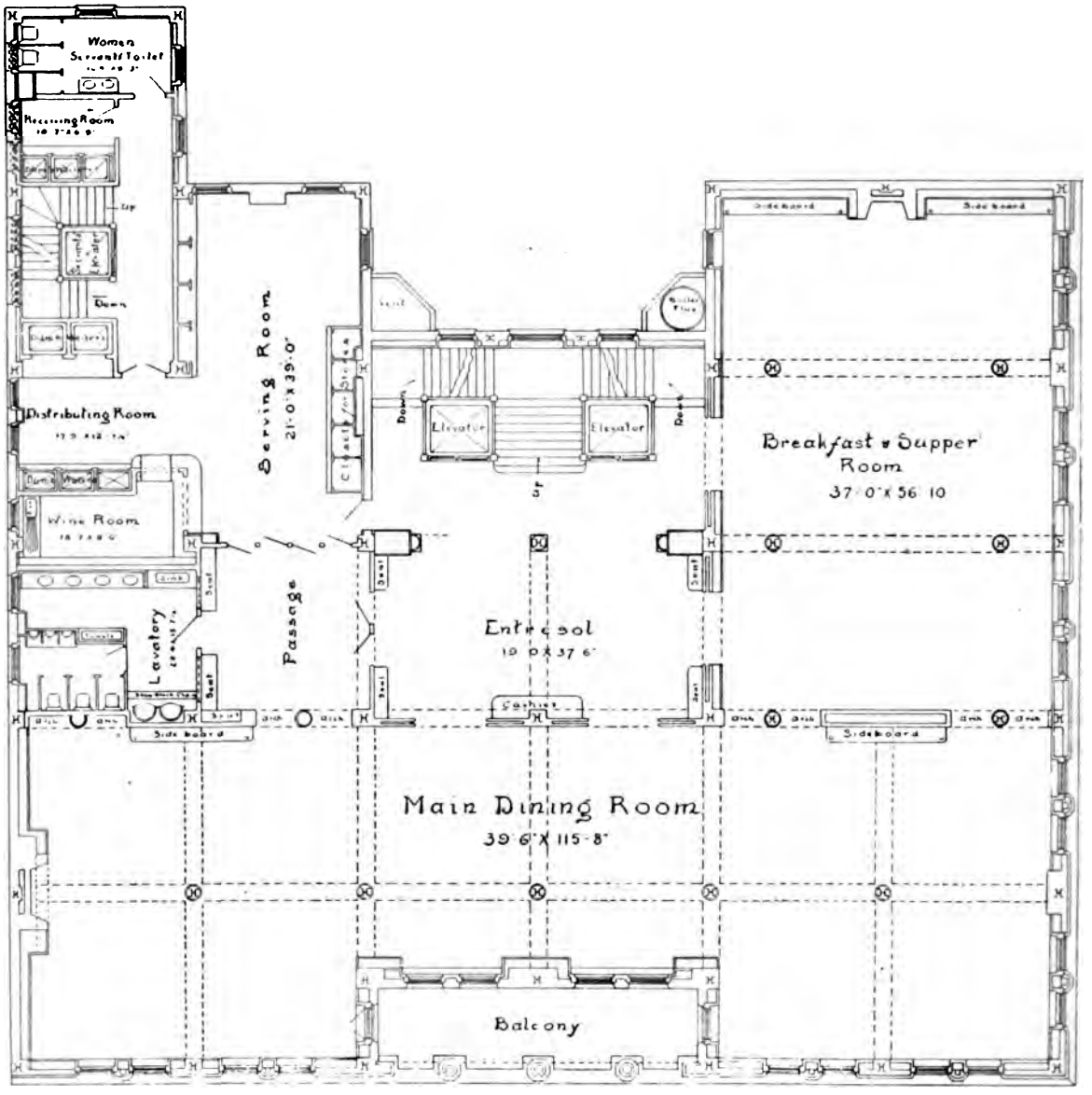
contest. In spite of this they rowed a remarkable race, but it naturally rendered them more tired at the finish than they would have been had the water been smooth. They rowed with a boat two inches narrower than that of the Laureate crew, their opponents, and, of course, shipped more water. The New York boys took the lead from the start, though rowing a slow stroke, and quickly increased their advantage to a length. They were content to hold this advantage until one and a quarter miles of the course had been covered; then Coxswain Smyth called for a spurt and the boys responded nobly, showing their real calibre by adding another length to their lead in less than twenty strokes. As may be noticed in the illustration of the finish of the race, the boys stopped rowing as they reached the finish flags and floated over the line the winners by two and one-quarter lengths in 8 minutes and 26 seconds. The following was the winning crew: W. W. Griffith (bow), G. Kollstede, G. F. Grant, E. Crawford, T. E. Tomlinson, F. V. Dobbins, A. G. Fry, S. M. Seamon (stroke), D. G. Smyth (coxswain).

In the intermediate doubles, Crawford and Howard started off with a very fast stroke of 40 to the minute. It was scarcely a wise proceeding, and, coupled with the rough water, rendered them very tired at the finish when they had slowed to 32. The race needs no description, as our boys simply went away from the beginning, and won by eight lengths in 9 minutes and 21 seconds. The Pennsylvania Barge Club was second, the Vesper Boat Club, of Philadelphia, was third, three lengths behind, and the Crescent Boat Club, of Philadelphia, four lengths further in the rear.

The second day's racing furnished the most interesting competition in the race for the senior doubles. Many reports have been published in which it would appear that the New York Athletic Club crew only won the race by a fluke, owing to the Vesper Boat Club, of Philadelphia, overshooting the stake before turning. The various distances which imaginative persons have estimated the Vespers to go over the mark before taking their turn would, if added together, have landed the crew clear on the shores of the lake. In fact, the circumstances have become so distorted in the effort to prove how easily the Vespers would have won this race if it had not been for their mistake in turning, that one eyewitness, to whom in ordinary cases every credence would be given, declared that even after this mishap the Vespers overtook the New Yorks and finished a dead heat with them, but that the race was awarded to the New Yorks. Unfortunately for this contention, the official time places the Vesper Boat Club 13 seconds behind the New York Athletic Club, or about four lengths. Under these circumstances a full description of the race will be interesting. At the start the New York Athletic Club crew, acting under the instruction of Athletic Director Giannini, rowed a long steady stroke and were soon a quarter of a length in the lead. A ding-dong race ensued to the buoy, which the New York crew reached first. The Vespers did overshoot their mark, but only so far that the New Yorks had only taken two strokes in turning when the Vespers began to turn. Starting on the return journey the New Yorks had a lead of about two lengths, which they increased at every stroke and won by a good four lengths. The winning crew were P. L. Howard, bow, and R. H. Crawford, stroke, and the time 9 minutes 10 3-5 seconds. The eight-oared crew made a gallant bid for victory in the senior shell race, but the Baltimore crew had not rowed in the intermediate race the day before, and consequently were a little more fit for a hard struggle. At the end of the race the New Yorks, who had been some distance in the rear, rowed so hard and pluckily that they came within a length of scoring a double victory, and it is safe to say that should the two crews meet again the honors will rest with the wearers of the Mercury Foot. The time of the race was 7 minutes 48 1-2 seconds, and the New York Athletic Club crew finished in 7 minutes 52 1-2 seconds.

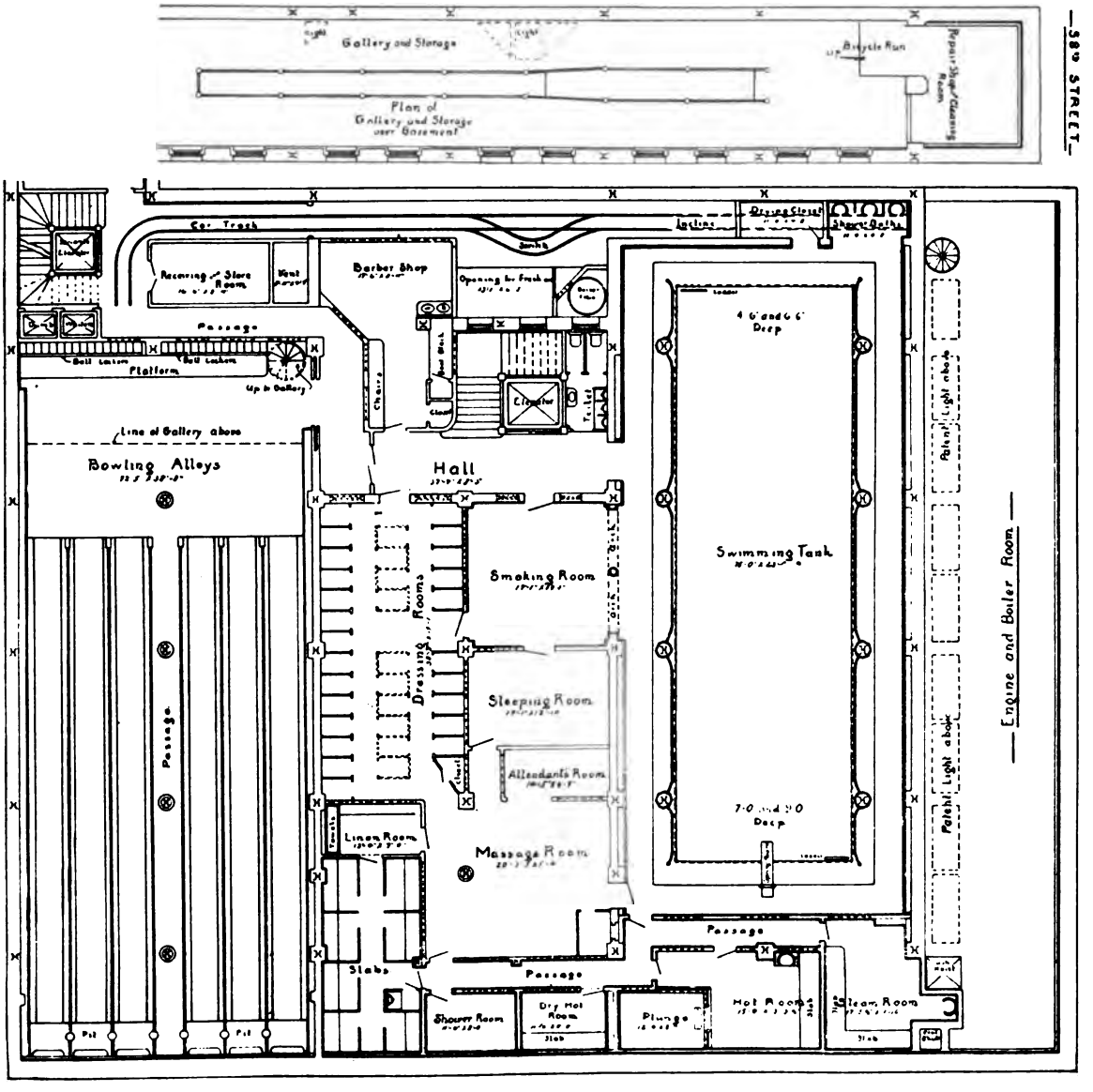
MR. LO FING LUH, First Secretary to Embassy, with Li Hung Chang, visited the club at Fifty-fifth Street, on Tuesday, September 1st, and was received by the officials and shown over the house. He expressed great delight with what he had seen.

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# General Athletics

## THE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

THE amateur swimming championships of America took place at the Wayne Natatorium, Pennsylvania, on August 22. The New York Athletic Club swimmers took second place in both events, premier honors being won by the members of the Chicago Athletic Association.

In the hundred yards Whittaker, of Chicago, went away with the lead and at fifty yards was two yards in front of Percy Dickey. The New Yorker soon began to overhaul Whittaker and was almost on level terms at eighty yards when the Chicagoan ran into one of the posts bordering the course. After a moment of hesitation Whittaker got a push-off from the stake, which offset the delay, and a desperate race ended in his favor by a few inches. The time, 1 min. 13 2-5 sec., was fast, considering the circumstances.

There were seven starters for the mile race. F. A. Wenck, of the New York A. C., was the favorite, but B. A. Hart, an Englishman, wearing the cherry circle of the Chicago A. A , surprised the spectators by his peculiar and powerful stroke. He swims a combination breast-side stroke, but more of a breast than a side stroke, as his legs are drawn exactly as in the breast style, and he has a fine, powerful, wide kick. He submerges his head at the beginning of the kick and draws his arms backward, not like a breast stroke, but alternately like the side stroke, each arm describing somewhat of a circle, one of the arms covering a larger or greater distance than the other, the only part of the movement like a side stroke.

Hart led all the way and won by sixty yards from Wenck, who beat S. B. French, of the Knickerbocker A. C., by twenty yards, for the place. Time, 30 min. 27 3-5 sec.

## ATHLETES DEFEAT RESIDENTS.

SEEKING new worlds to conquer, the Athletes of the club issued a challenge to the "Regular Boarders" for an eight-oared shell race.

The defi was promptly accepted by the Boarders, in whose ranks were oarsmen, champions in their palmy days, but now, through a steady course of training on club dinners, unwilling, as a rule, to indulge in any more laborious way of speeding o'er the water than sitting in the stern of a steam launch or hauling on the main sheet of a yacht.

The race took place over a half-mile course on the evening of August 19. By a little strategy the Athletes induced Campbell Smyth, who had been selected to coxswain the R. B.'s, to sit in their boat, and then rowed off with the popular little coxswain. The opposition crew were forced to retain W. H. Pinckney, whose weight told when added to that of Jim Cremins and Frank Roe.

It was a proud moment for the Boarders when they took the lead at the start, but the novelty of rowing soon wore off, and after gaining half a length on the track team, the coxswain of the Boarders noticed that his boat was carrying several passengers. The Athletes passed the tired residents and at the finish won by half a length. Time, 2 min. 40 sec.

It would have taken a good-sized fishing smack to hold the crabs caught by the contestants. The crews were:

| ATHLETES. | REGULAR BOARDERS. |
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| 1. A. B. Dalby. | 1. J. D. Reynolds. |
| 2. E. B. Bloss. | 2. A. H. Brawner. |
| 3. M. P. Halpin. | 3. F. O. Roe. |
| 4. F. A. Wenck. | 4. H. F. Schwarz. |
| 5. Geo. Schwegler. | 5. J. Cremins. |
| 6. L. P. Sheldon. | 6. W. F. Mohr. |
| 7. H. S. Lyons. | 7. G. W. Scott. |
| 8. Mike Murphy. | 8. E. P. Reynolds. |
| Campbell Smyth, Coxswain. | W. H. Pinckney, Coxswain. |

# CLUB CURRENTS

A PLEASING echo of the National Regatta was the presentation to Athletic Director Giannini of a silver shield on a plush ground in a neat frame. The gift was from the winning eight, bearing the following inscription:

—TO—

EUGENE J. GIANNINI,

—FROM—

THE LOBSTERS.

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONS, 1896, EIGHT-OARED SHELL.

**A token of our appreciation of your untiring work, and of our personal affection.**

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THE Library Committee once more announces that it will be glad to receive works on all branches of literature, and those who are desirous of presenting such gifts need but notify the Library Committee, New York Athletic Club, 104 West Fifty-fifth Street, and it will send for same at the expense of the club.

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AN anonymous contributor has dedicated an ode of about sixty-six verses to the athletes training at Travers Island. The anguish of the Editor in reading the effusion may be imagined from the fact that the following was the best verse:

**"There runs a man with flying feet**
**Who wields a postal pen;**
**He everything in sight can eat,**
**At Philadelphia had 'em beat;**
**His name?—'tis 'Foxy Hen.'"**

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## OBITUARY.

MR. RICHARD RIKER died August 2, 1896.

MR. C. S. HALLETT died August 11, 1896.

MR. EDWARD MAY died August 11, 1896.

DR. A. SIDNEY ROBERTS died August 17, 1896.

AQUATIC sports will be a strong feature of the indoor entertainments at the city clubhouse during the coming winter. The contests held in the bath last year evoked such general interest that the chairman of the Athletic Committee was impressed with the idea of still further promoting the popular sport.

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COMMENCING with the famous "Chippies" it has been the custom of late years to designate the club crews by a descriptive title. The "Bantams" followed the "Chippies," then came the "Spiders" and the "Mosquito Four." The winning eight at Saratoga have been christened the "Lobsters," while the double revel in the name of "Slats."

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MEMBERS are reminded that the clambake will take place at Travers Island on Saturday, September 5. A right royal time is assured to those who attend. Tickets, $1.50.

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## PERSONALS.



MR. A. H. CURTIS, while in Europe this summer, gained the distinction of being the only person who has ridden a mile on a bicycle along the "Corso" in Rome, a street which is jealously guarded against the cyclists. The sacred street is well paved, and Mr. Curtis wheeled rapidly over the ground, taking no heed of the armed officers who warned him to desist, until one blocked his way and with

drawn sword, which spoke louder than words, commanded him to dismount. The guardian of the peace relented when he noticed the American flag in his captive's buttonhole and released him.

A MERRY party assembled on board the Paris on August 5, to bid *bon voyage* to Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, the genial Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. The vessel sailed at 10 a. m., an early hour for clubmen, so to insure punctuality some of the party sought the Paris at 4 a. m., and finished their nap on board. The visitors who were entertained at a wine luncheon were H. G. Selleck, W. H. Harrison, M. Hart, W. A. Cable, C. E. Deppeler, J. F. Muir and R. F. Carroll.

DURING the Horse Show at Long Branch, Mr. J. F. Baudouine entertained a party of friends at Spring Lake, driving over each day to the show. On one occasion a remarkably quick relay was made at Asbury Park when the change of horses was accomplished in 1 minute 50 seconds. Among those on the coach were Orrin M. Beach, Jr., L. Wells, J. A. Barton, E. Koch, M. Hart.

THE burning of the Manhanset House at Shelter Island was not only a serious loss to Manager H. D. W. Lawson, but a great inconvenience to many New York A. C. members, who were forced to find other quarters for the summer. Among them were Mr. C. C. Hibbard and Dr. A. L. Ranney and family.

MR. DUDLEY S. PHINNEY was surprised by his guests at the Cayuga Lake House on the anniversary of his birthday, August 4. A pleasant party was arranged, the grounds decorated with lanterns and Mr. Phinney presented with a token of appreciation of his efforts for the comfort of his guests.

MR. FREDERICK CLARK spends a few days every week at Fire Island, blue fishing. It will take a pretty good story-teller to beat his record of forty-one, taken in one hour and a half, which he confesses is the best catch he has made this season.

To while away a rainy evening at Travers Island a little electioneering was indulged in, with the result that the ever-popular James Lowerre has been launched as the People's candidate for Governor. The platform—Four towels for every bather, tennis courts dusted every day and the establishment of a fishing pool at the Island.

AMONG the New York A. C. members present at the Long Branch Horse Show were Mayor W. L. Strong, the O'Donoghue boys, G. B. Hulme, P. F. Bruner, F. J. Burke, T. L. Moore and Albert Clayburgh.

MR. C. C. TURNER'S "Alpha" met with an accident at Hempstead Harbor which would have resulted in the loss of the boat but for the presence of mind of his sailing mate, Campbell Smyth, who released the boat from the dangerous embrace of the sloop which fouled her.

WHEN Captain Pinckney of the four-oared crew is in the shell, he has an even chance with the rest of the crew, but on the evening of the band concert a facetious friend remarked that he was playing a four-to-one chance.

AFTER their dual victory at Saratoga the "Slats" spent a week at Patchogue, from which place they returned to Travers Island on the evening of the band concert, looking more than ever like fence rails.

AT the meeting of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen Mr. Fred Vilmar was the silver candidate. His proposition to reform the association was negatived by a vote of 16 to 1.

MR. R. C. FISHER, who has just returned from Europe, by a coincidence met C. A. Bradley and A. R. Downer on the evening of their suspension by the A. A. A.

MR. FRANK L. SLAZENGER gallantly stopped a runaway horse at Far Rockaway while out on his wheel.

MR. FRANK O. ROE, alias Colonel Waring, was a prominent figure at the open-air concert.

# The Great Coasting Match of the Metropolitan Association of Cycling Clubs, at Pompton Turnpike, N. J., Saturday, August 8th, 1896.

## LARGE FIELDS, FINE WEATHER AND SPIRITED CONTESTS.

## H. A. Woodward, on a Humber Roadster, Regular Equipment, Wins the Single Contest by 19 Feet, Over 47 Competitors.

Who won?"

"A Humber."

Probably no cycle contest ever held in this country has more positively focused the interest of cyclists on the merits of particular makes of wheels than the finely and equitably managed coasting event given under the auspices of the Metropolitan Association of Cycling Clubs, at Pompton Turnpike, near Montclair, N. J., Saturday, August 8th, ultimo. Contrary to usual practice, this contest was decided in heats, the final heat narrowing down to three men, each riding a different make of wheel, Mr. Harry A. Woodward, on a Humber Roadster, being among the number. The conditions of the contest provided that no special mechanical appliances were to be used that would tend to increase the speed. Whatever latitude may have been allowed in this direction in former contests, there certainly was none allowed in this. At any rate, the dictum was followed in the case of the two Humber Roadsters, entered and respectively ridden by Mr. H. A. Woodward and Mr. C. K. Alley. Both were regularly equipped Humber Roadsters, stripped of toolbags and unnecessary paraphernalia, geared to seventy inches, the same as when they left the factory, and had been ridden all the season by Messrs. Woodward and Alley, respectively.

Mr. Woodward's triumphal win was an eminently fair one, and added one more to the thousands upon thousands of instances tending to demonstrate the easy running qualities of Humbers.

It is worthy of note that three different makes of cycles entered in this contest, outside of Humbers, were equipped with Humber chains.

From all parts of the country where this admirable wheel is known, the testimony is in the same strain—"It is a revelation to cyclists when they mount one for the first time."

Those who witnessed the coasting match by members of the New York Athletic Club, will remember that after all competitors had finished, a certain party coasted down the hill, and landed some distance beyond the mark made by the winner. The ways some people adopt in deceiving the public were illustrated in the advertisements immediately published, that a certain party on a certain make of cycle, had out-coasted all others in the New York Athletic Club match, witholding the fact that the party had taken a flying start, that the competitors in the contests were all started from standing position, that the party is not a member of the Club, and was, therefore, ineligible as a contestant.

Mr. Harry Woodward, the manager of Humber & Co.'s Fifth Avenue Depot, was so incensed by the action of this party, that he followed him up until he succeeded in getting on a match with him. Mr. Woodward allowed the party to select the hill and name conditions of the contest. Both started at the same time from a standing position. Mr. Woodward's competitor did not rush to the press with advertisements of the result of this bona-fide match.

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### HUMBER REPUTE.

Away back before the Christian era began, in the year 42, Publius Syrus gave utterance to the truism, "A good reputation is more valuable than money." Many variations have been struck on this theme since that time by Christian, pagan and secular writers. It has been sung in verse, chanted in prose and indelibly graven in national and individual experiences. Never disputed, it stands an ever-present fact for all time. There is, it will be observed, nothing qualifying in the observation beyond the great strength embodied in the word "good." Reputation has many varying aspects, many degrees of quality, but none so eminently expressive and so thoroughly indicative of respect as the prefixed little word "good." This word is variously defined, but for the present purpose the definitions "valid," "sound," "suitable," will suffice.

Reputation, good, bad or indifferent, may be gained in a variety of ways and through a combination of circumstances, but in any case may be outlived. How often have we seen a business house, with excellent reputation for its product, gradually lose its repute through carelessness of methods, willful abandonment of a policy of careful attention to detail in favor of cheapening processes, or else ignoring the mighty march of progress with its inexorable demand for change.

The century in which we are living is remarkable for commercial activity. The conditions governing success or failure are onerous in the extreme. Temporary success may be gained in a variety of ways, but permanent success is a difficult thing to attain. No sane man acquainted with the history of the cycle trade will dispute the statement that Humber & Co. have attained success, and that their success is directly traceable to a good reputation, based entirely on the high quality of the cycles they have produced. Their "good" reputation is not a matter of to-day alone. It has been an undisputed fact for twenty-eight years. Thomas Humber was not only a skilled, practical mechanic, far in the van of his fellow mechanics, but he was an idealist as well. This spirit of idealism wrought into the cycles he produced, united with his stern sense of integrity, was the first impelling cause for the celebrity of the Humber name. Its "good" reputation was commenced. Gradually this reputation led to increase of patronage; additions to manufacturing facilities became necessary, and finally Humber repute came to be worldwide. To meet the constantly increasing demand in foreign countries, new factories were established in various parts of the world.

The lustre of the Humber name in the commercial world, the value of the Humber trade-mark in every clime under the sun where honest value is appreciated is so great that to equal it is a task hard to accomplish.

The remarkable fact about Humber excellence is that it never retrogrades. Year after year Humber quality is always the same, always in the van. Fads, freaks and "talking points," as ordinarily understood in the cycle trade, find no acceptance in Humber workshops.

Humber models are always produced as the result of careful experimenting, and may always be relied on to embody Humber quality. 'Tis this has made the "good" reputation for Humbers.

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### HUMBER METHODS AND THEIR IMITATORS.

Humber methods always bear so strong and vigorous marks of originality as well as business sense that they invariably find imitators. This is their history for twenty-eight years.

Ten years before any cycle was made in this country Humber & Co. were introducing wheels in England and Europe, and their reputation as the makers of the finest wheel produced became so firmly established that the name Humber signified the very acme of excellence in cycle building. Then began imitation by other makers, and when cycle making commenced in this country Humber models were copied. It was deemed a particularly strong argument for manufacturers to set forth in their catalogues that their wheels contained various Humber parts. This practice was continued until Humber & Co. established a factory in America. In the meantime the lustre of the Humber name has constantly grown in intensity through the supreme excellence of their product until it has enlisted under its colors the very choicest clientele from the ranks of royal, social, professional and commercial life in every country of the world. Through this great prominence and the conceded fact that within the walls of every cycle factory in the world, Humbers are admittedly the best product in cycle construction which inventive genius, precise methods, skilled mechanism and unlimited facilities have produced, Humber cycles have been accorded the proud distinction *Standard of the World*, and this phrase was used in advertising till the imitative spirit again seized on the advertising department of one of the most prominent cycle manufacturing houses in this country and *they* commenced using the phrase. Pernicious practices grow with repetition until now the same parties, as well as other cycle houses, are imitating the head line Humber Quality in some of their advertising. A little forethought would have convinced these gentlemen that there is a point where laudable imitation ends and amusing imbecility begins.

Humbers never imitate—Humbers always originate. Humber quality stands in a class by itself; installed there by the suffrages of more than a quarter of a million riders in all parts of the world.

## CYCLING NOTES.

RAY DAWSON, of the New York Athletic Club, was very successful at the race meet of the Associated Cycle Clubs of New Jersey, on August 8. His victories were: First in one mile; time, 2 min. 18 sec. First in two miles; time, 4 min. 35 sec. First in five miles; time, 11 min. 53 sec. Third in one-third of a mile; time, 44 sec. All the races were for the championship of New Jersey.

Ray Dawson continued his successful career at Middletown, N. Y., on August 26, winning every event open to all amateurs at the meet of the Barnes Wheelmen. In the half-mile he defeated W. H. Owens, of the Knickerbocker A. C., a well-known local crack, in 1 min. 4¼ sec. The mile was won by Dawson in 2 min. 16½ sec., with W. S. Slavin, of Suffern, second, and W. A. Barbeau, of the Riverside Wheelmen, third. In the five-mile handicap Ray Dawson and Barbeau were on the scratch mark. The New York A. C. man was again successful, the Riverside wheelman only finishing third. The time was 14 min. 11¼ sec.

At the National Circuit meet of the Bridgeport Wheel Club on August 28, Ray Dawson again carried off the honors of the day in the amateur class and proved a worthy successor to Irwin A. Powell, who was carrying all before him at the spring meets prior to the accident which has since incapacitated him for racing. In the mile-open amateur race, Ray Dawson won in 2 min. 14 2-5 sec.; the Riverside crack, Barbeau, was third. Dawson also won the two-mile handicap in 4 min. 28 sec., conceding long starts to his opponents.

WHEN a machine is left standing for a long period—say for several weeks or months—it is wise to turn the wheels occasionally, so that the weight may not always be borne by the same part of the tire. It tends to injure the tires if the machine rests too long on one part.

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Why anyone should wish to take so unpromising a route to the city when the fine road to Nungesser's and thence on the Hudson County Boulevard stretches out so invitingly before him, is beyond comprehension. Notwithstanding it is a little further to the Weehawken Ferry by way of the Boulevard, yet the longest way round is the shortest way home sometimes, and it might do to add in this instance it is the safest and surest. The safest course is to steer clear of the treacherous Gorge Road altogether.



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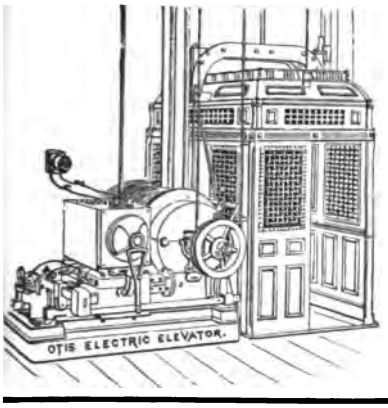
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## NEW CLUBHOUSE.

CONSIDERABLE progress has been made during the past month with the steel construction for the new building, much to the gratification of the members, who are deeply interested in the project. Another slight delay was encountered in the work on the foundation of the Fifty-eighth Street L, but it is now progressing favorably, and those foundations will be completed by the end of November.

The erection of the building will not be retarded, as the iron contractor expects to have the frame construction completed before January 1, 1897.



OCTOBER 10, 1896.

A sub-committee of the Building and Finance Committee has been appointed to arrange for suitable ceremonies in connection with the laying of the cornerstone, and the date for that event has been set for November 28th, at 2.30 p. m. Handsome invitations, suitable for preservation as souvenirs of the occasion, are being prepared, and much valuable material relating to the early history of the club is being collected to be placed in the cornerstone, together with the full list of the officers and members of the club since its organization.

The occasion will be a memorable one, and the ceremonies should be marked by a very large attendance of the members and their friends.

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SPECIAL facilities are offered by the New York A. C. for the sons of members to learn how to swim. During the winter months Instructor Sundstrom will have special classes every Saturday morning from 9 a. m. to 12 noon. The gymnasium will also be open to the boys during those hours. No charge will be made for instruction, and tickets may be obtained by written application to the secretary of the club.

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## THE LATE HEYWARD G. MEEKER.

IT was only a few months ago that the death of one of the founders of the club, Mr. Jason H. Miller, was announced. It is with deep regret that we now chronicle the decease of another member prominent in the early days, Mr. Heyward G. Meeker, familiarly known as "Harry," who died suddenly, after eighteen hours' illness, at the residence of his mother, 63 West Fifty-sixth Street, Wednesday, October 14th. Harry Meeker was well liked, and his friends were legion. He was an old-time Yale athlete and a life member of the New York A. C. After he graduated from Yale he took to sculling, and won several important races. He joined the New York A. C. in 1871, and was one of ten men to come forward with a substantial contribution to help tide over financial difficulties in which the club found itself. For this act he was made a life member of the club. His devotion to rowing inspired other members of the club, and they took up the sport. The first race rowed by the club was for a cup donated by Meeker. He was a general favorite, and his sudden taking off has cast a gloom among his clubmates and his host of friends. The funeral was held from his late home Saturday morning, October 17th. He was forty-eight years of age.



THE infusion of new blood into the bowling department of the club has spurred on the old warhorses of the alleys to greater exertions, and since the commencement of the season many lively encounters have taken place between picked teams. When the championship series commence all the old rooters will be found occupying their seats along the rails at home games, and new adherents to the popular winter game are developing daily.

Prognosticator Pomeroy anticipates that under the leadership of Captain Hez the team will retain premier honors in the Athletic League, a prediction which the early practice work of the stars fully justifies.

Three two-ball games an evening will be bowled instead of two three-ball games, as heretofore, making a total of forty-two games instead of twenty-eight games.

The debut for the season will be against the Elizabeth A. C., on the New York A. C. alleys, when J. W. Carter, M. E. More, H. E. Tous-

saint or J. H. Bell, H. P. Brown and W. F. Shaw will handle the wooden sphere for the Mercury Foot. This strong combination will be in the field at most home games, strengthened occasionally by the steady nerve and skill of Frank Clute.

In games rolled abroad the team will lose the valuable services of two great individual bowlers in Jim Carter and Billy Shaw, but their places will be ably filled by J. H. Bell and Louis Legien.

The field of competition is to be widened this season, as the club has entered a team in the Harlem Republican Tournament, where our boys will have an opportunity to test their skill against strange opponents. The team relied on in the Harlem tournament are J. W. Carter, M. Cowperthwait, M. E. More, J. H. Bell and H. E. Toussaint or L. Legien. In case any of these should fall by the wayside Captain Brown has many eligible substitutes in graduates from the "Lobsters," who are anxious to roll in first-class games. Of these Bob Lyons has first choice, having gained much experience by practice on Swiss alleys during his European tour.

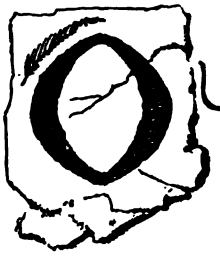
The most remarkable improvement is shown in the preliminary practice work of the veteran, Maxey More. Since last season he has changed his style of delivery, now rolling a ball which creeps up to the head pin with a fascinating twist and scatters the pins without ceremony. The members of the team look for Maxey to head the Athletic League averages at the end of the tournament. Jack Bell has also improved considerably, while the other bowlers have maintained their form, so that there appear to be no weak spots in the chosen five.

The "Lobsters" gave their last season's captain, George Breck, the "black spot," and have elected E. C. Carter as their leader, showing that he is considered the worst bowler in the club. The first of their practical encounters will be with the Agate Bowling Club, of Brooklyn, on November 13th, when the team will be R. T. Lyons, M. P. Halpin, T. I. Lee, G. M. Breck and E. C. Carter.

The following is the schedule of the Athletic League games, the New York A. C. fixtures being italicised:

LEAGUE GAMES.

Orange at Columbia, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1896.
Roseville at Jersey City Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1896.
*Elizabeth at New York, Thursday, Nov. 12, 1896.*
Montclair at North End, Friday, Nov. 13, 1896.
Jersey City at Orange, Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1896.
*New York at Roseville, Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1896.*
Columbia at Montclair, Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1896.
North End at Elizabeth, Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1896.
Elizabeth at Columbia, Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1896.
*Orange at New York, Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1896.*
Roseville at North End, Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1896.
Montclair at Jersey City, Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1896.
Columbia at Roseville, Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1896.
*New York at Montclair, Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1896.*
North End at Orange, Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1896.
Jersey City at Elizabeth, Friday, Dec. 4, 1896.
Orange at Roseville, Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1896.
Columbia at Jersey City, Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1896.
Elizabeth at Montclair, Friday, Dec. 11, 1896.
*New York at North End, Monday, Dec 7, 1896.*
*New York at Columbia, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1896.*
Elizabeth at Orange, Thursday, Dec. 17, 1896.
North End at Jersey City, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1896.
Montclair at Roseville, Monday, Dec. 14, 1896.
Roseville at Elizabeth, Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1896.
*Jersey City at New York, Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1896.*
Orange at Montclair, Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1896.
Columbia at North End, Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1896.
Columbia at Orange, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1897.
Jersey City at Roseville, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1897.
*New York at Elizabeth, Monday, Jan. 4, 1897.*
North End at Montclair, Monday, Jan. 4, 1897.
Orange at Jersey City, Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1897.
*Roseville at New York, Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1897.*
Elizabeth at North End, Friday, Jan. 15, 1897.
Montclair at Columbia, Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1897.
Columbia at Elizabeth, Friday, Jan. 22, 1897.
Jersey City at Montclair, Thursday, Jan. 21, 1897.
*New York at Orange, Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1897.*
North End at Roseville, Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1897.
Orange at North End, Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1897.
Roseville at Columbia, Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1897.
Elizabeth at Jersey City, Friday, Jan. 29, 1897.
*Montclair at New York, Thursday, Jan. 28, 1897.*
Roseville at Orange, Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1897.
Jersey City at Columbia, Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1897.
Montclair at Elizabeth, Monday, Feb. 1, 1897.
*North End at New York, Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1897.*
Orange at Elizabeth, Thursday, Feb. 11, 1897.
*Columbia at New York, Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1897.*
Roseville at Montclair, Monday, Feb. 8, 1897.
Jersey City at North End, Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1897.
Elizabeth at Roseville, Friday, Feb. 19, 1897.
*New York at Jersey City, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1897.*
Montclair at Orange, Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1897.
North End at Columbia, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1897.



# UR OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO THE FACT THAT OFFICIAL NOTICES WILL BE PUBLISHED ONLY IN THE JOURNAL AND UNDER THIS HEADING.

## NEW CLUBHOUSE.

**November 28—Laying Cornerstone, 2.30 p. m.**

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

**November 14—Smoker in Dining Room, 10.30 p. m.**
**December 30—Annual Minstrel Show in Carnegie Hall.**

## CYCLING.

**November 20—Moonlight Ride from Cycle House, 8 p. m.**

## SHOOTING.

**November 14—Clay-Bird Competition. Travers Island, 2 p. m.**
**November 21—Interclub Shoot. Travers Island.**

## BOWLING.

**November 12—New York A. C. vs. Elizabeth A. C. N. Y. A. C. Alleys.**
**November 18—New York A. C. vs. Roseville A. A. Roseville Alleys.**
**November 25—New York A. C. vs. Orange A. C. N. Y. A. C. Alleys.**
**December 1—New York A. C. vs. Montclair A. C. Montclair Alleys.**

## BOXING.

**November 7—Boxing Exhibition in Gymnasium, 8.30 p. m.**

## PAPER CHASE.

**November 26—Paper Chase from Travers Island, arrival of 10.45 a. m. train.**

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## SHOOTING.

ON Saturday, November 14th, at 2 p. m., a clay-bird match will be shot for a trophy donated by a member of the club. Competition open to any club member. Contestants to stand at 16 yards and shoot at all traps at known angles.

It is earnestly desired by the committee that a large entry will be made, as it is the intention to select from these contestants three club members to represent the club in an interclub shoot of five clubs at Travers Island one week later (November 21st), providing it can be arranged for other clubs to attend.

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THE Athletic Committee is making earnest efforts to acquire suitable ground for golf links in the vicinity of Travers Island. If the necessary ground can be secured there is little doubt that the popular game will find many adherents among the club members.

## OUR NEW GOVERNOR.

MR. HOWARD P. FROTHINGHAM has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the Board of Governors caused by the death of Mr. Daniel D. Youmans.

To the old members of the club the new Governor needs no introduction, their acquaintance with him dating from the time of his joining the club in 1883, but a few incidents of his career will serve to illustrate his fitness for the office.



MR. HOWARD P. FROTHINGHAM.

Though yet quite a young man, Mr. Frothingham is a well-known figure on the Stock Exchange, and is one of the largest money brokers of the Street. He is Mayor of the borough of Mount Arlington, of which the famous bass-fishing locality of Lake Hopatcong is a part. A thorough sportsman in every respect, the rod, reel and gun have special attractions for Mr. Frothingham, and he has the credit of landing the largest bass ever taken in Lake Hopatcong.

In addition to the municipal office, Mr. Frothingham is Fish and Game Commissioner for the State of New Jersey, and will be pleased to afford information to club members desirous of shooting or fishing in that State.

## HAND TENNIS.

HAND tennis experts will have an opportunity to test their skill in the near future. So many men showed promise of graduating into the championship class last season that it is the intention of Athletic Director Giannini to arrange, if possible, a tournament for the championship of the club, to take place in December. The scratch event will furnish a line as to the ability of the competitors, which will prove invaluable in framing the allowances for the handicap competition which is proposed to take place later in the season.

E. Elsworth and J. H. Haslin, who played in the final tie of the handicap competition last season, are both showing good form in their practice work, and the struggle for the championship will prove interesting.

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THE Entertainment Committee desires to call the attention of members to the fact that at the next smoker we are promised the act as given by Mr. Richard Carroll, a fellow member, and Miss Somerville in "Brian Boru." Several other members of the profession have also kindly volunteered their services.

## HOCKEY.

THE JOURNAL takes pleasure in announcing a new pastime for the wearers of the Mercury Foot in the game of hockey, adding another sport to the many fostered by the New York A. C. The game is practically scientific "shinney" on ice skates, and is vastly popular with our cousins across the border, where ice skating is indulged in from the first of December until late in the spring.

A number of games were played in this vicinity last winter, meeting with such pronounced approval as to insure hockey a prominent place among winter sports.

Members of the New York A. C. were largely instrumental for the introduction of the game to the New York public, as among the members of the team which proved successful in every game which it played last season were A. R. Pope, A. L. Fry, Beverley Bogert and E. M. Littell, conspicuous wearers of the Mercury Foot in aquatic and field sports.

Recognizing the embryo talent in the club ranks, the Athletic Committee has decided to place a team in the field to represent the club, appreciating the fact that with the nucleus already developed in the club, a "seven" may be formed that will prove second to none. Athletic Director Giannini, who has shown a keen interest in the game, has the matter in charge, and it is requested that all good skaters desiring to play will forward their names to him at once.

The game will be found interesting to the most exacting critic, his attention being fully occupied through every moment of play. From the time the referee blows his whistle signifying the start, the spectators' nerves are kept at a tension not relaxed until the call of time, there being very little or nothing of the element of "time calls," which have proved such a fruitful cause for criticism in football. Occasionally a skate will be broken, necessitating five or ten minutes' delay, which is fortunately, however, very rare; or a player insisting on continually being off-side will be sent from the ice, causing a momentary stoppage. Otherwise the time is employed in brilliant rushes, quick checking and clever passing.

Its requisites are few—a clear sheet of hard ice, invigorating atmosphere and a number of quick and steady skaters, who, when aided and abetted by an enthusiastic audience, will furnish as interesting an evening's entertainment as any sport lover could desire.

The principles of the game are so simple as to be readily understood by even the most disinterested. Seven men compose a team—four forwards, or rushers, a cover-point (better understood, perhaps, by the term quarter-back), who backs up and feeds the forwards, a point whose main duty is to assist in goal defense, and a goal-keeper. Goal posts are erected at either end of a rink, placed six feet apart and not over four feet high, in which space the goal-keeper stands. Each player is equipped with a "stick," made preferably of second-growth ash, length to suit the holder, resembling in form, somewhat, a shepherd's crook, except it is less curved on the end, allowing for two or three inches play on the ice. An ordinary pair of skates will suffice, although the regulation "hockey blade," its runner being almost straight, is better adapted for the quick turns and sudden stops necessary in the game. The "puck" is a circular disk of hard rubber nine inches in circumference and an inch thick, and it is the object of the game to place it through the opponent's goal posts.

Unlike shinney, a better result is obtained by shoving or scooping the puck than by striking it; in fact, the rules do not permit of the stick being lifted higher than the shoulder. The main object of an expert player, and difficult of accomplishment, is to "lift" the puck, making it travel over the heads of his opponents a distance of forty or fifty yards before striking the ice. It is the duty of the point and cover-point to "lift" whenever possible to facilitate keeping the puck in the vicinity of the opposition goal. Two halves of thirty minutes each constitute time of play, and the game is in charge of a referee and two umpires.

The formation of a league for the Metropolitan District is now in progress, and arrangements have been made for two or three nights a week practice for the New York A. C. team at the St. Nicholas Rink, Sixty-sixth Street and Columbus Avenue, when some excellent sport may be anticipated.

## A SUCCESSFUL STAG.

PROBABLY the most successful stag that has ever occurred at the club took place on the evening of October 26th, after sixty or more wearers of the Mercury Foot attended in a body at the Broadway Theatre and extended a royal ovation to their clubmate, Mr. Richard F. Carroll, who was there impersonating the character of Pat O'Hara in the opera of "Brian Boru."

At the clubhouse the party was augmented by a number of guests and other members of the club, among whom were Mr. Charles Evans, proprietor of the Herald Square Theatre; Mr. Fred C. Whitney, director of the Whitney Opera Company; Mr. Max Eugene, of the same company; Mr. Van Rensellaer Wheeler, of the Daly "Geisha" Company, and T. D. Asten, of London, England.

Supper was served at midnight, Mr. Arthur J. Moore being toastmaster. After the repast Mr. Carroll was presented by the members present with a club scarfpin composed of rubies and diamonds. Mr. James B. Moore made the presentation address. He spoke in part as follows:

"MR. CHAIRMAN, GUESTS AND FELLOW MEMBERS—This certainly has been a great night for Ireland, and, to perpetrate an Irish bull, a cold day for the perfidious Sassenach, who must have felt this evening, when the wild minstrel Harp of Erin floated proudly over the prostrate British lion, as full of the blues as Pat O'Hara's left leg was 'full of the divil.'

"I am loath to begrudge another his merited success and bright future; especially, too, when that other is his clubmate and friend. But I state to-night, without fear of serious animadversion, that I cordially envy Mr. Carroll the happy trend of circumstances that ordained that his should be the prophetic hand that laid low the British standard, and by implication heralded the fact that there would yet be an Irish Parliament on Dublin Green.

"Many of us gathered here to-night are descendants of what was, not long ago in the history of nations, a proscribed and banished race. Even now I daily behold the sad spectacle of the last descendant of the Irish kings (the speaker here indicated Mr. Arthur J. Moore) in whose veins flows the red tide that made Brian Boru a hero and a monarch; daily I behold him whose province should be empire, dominion and the destruction of the snakes that I learn have lately reappeared in Ireland, devoting his energies to raising other kinds of snakes and sheol generally in and about the city and county of New York.

"But, gentlemen, let me tell you more in detail why it is I so much envy Mr. Carroll his future prospects. To-night, as I passed out of the theatre, I saw gathered in consultation the last remnants of the old Irish clans, the O'Deeleys, the O'Doeschers, the O'Depplers, the O'Hamilton Burchs and the Jimmy O'Lees, and, as summing up the net results of their deliberations, I heard the Irish king exclaim: 'When Ireland comes into her own again, and I shall have regained the throne of my forefathers, the name of Carroll shall be great in the land; his raiment shall be purple and fine linen; he shall bathe in potheen, and he shall have a castle on the hill of Stradbally.'"

Mr. Carroll's response was replete with feeling, wit and humor. The party then adjourned to the parlor, where followed an impromptu entertainment that would have reflected credit on any gathering. Space permits but a reference to salient features. Mr. Evans sang, in inimitable style, "The Dandy Colored Coon." Mr. Max Eugene's fine baritone was heard to great advantage in "The Heart Bowed Down," and later in the evening the same gentleman sang the Torreador song from "Carmen" with superb dash and fire. Mr. Van Rensellaer Wheeler signalized his first participation in a New York A. C. stag by literally bringing his hearers to their feet in a furore of enthusiasm at his magnificent rendition of some selections of Irish martial minstrelsy.

As a fitting finale to the evening all present rose, and, led by Mr. Wheeler, sang the "Star Spangled Banner" with a fervor that left little doubt as to the patriotism of those who give their athletic allegiance to the Winged Foot of Mercury.

## NEW CLUBHOUSE PLANS.

WITH the interest in cycling always on the increase it is only natural that the discussion of the plans for the new clubhouse should centre largely on the cycling department. During the past month the JOURNAL has received many requests to publish the plans for the accommodation of wheels and some particulars as to their storage.

It has already been shown by the general plans published that the cycling accommodations will be contained in the sub-basement, basement and first floors of the new building. The plan on the opposite page of the section and floors of that part will show clearly the manner in which the wheels will be stored. According to the estimate of the architect, the total accommodation reserved for the silent steed will admit of 755 wheels being properly taken care of, which is far in excess of the number now stored in the cycle and city houses. Without statistics at hand it is impossible to accurately compare these handsome provisions for the wheeling element with the accommodation offered by clubs that make a specialty of cycling, but in all probability the club will be able to store twice as many wheels as any other club in the world.

The Bicycle Committee have under consideration a plan of checking the wheels so that they may be quickly delivered to their owners in the waiting room. Repair and cleaning shops, complete in every detail of appointment and service, and a large reception room at the Fifty-eighth Street entrance, which will undoubtedly be almost monopolized by wheelmen, furnish accommodations far superior to those obtainable under any other roof.

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ON account of the interest taken in the cycle road race on Election Day, the Cross-Country Committee postponed the opening paper chase of the season until Thanksgiving Day. Members intending to take part in the run, which will be a slow one, will facilitate arrangements by communicating with Mortimer Bishop, chairman Cross-Country Committee, 104 West Fifty-fifth Street.

# Cycling

## CLUB RUNS.

AT a meeting of the Board of Governors, held last month, it was decided, in accordance with the request of a number of members, to appoint road officers to organize and take charge of club cycling runs. The following were appointed: Captain, John B. Yates; first lieutenant, M. M. Belding, Jr.; second lieutenant, N. E. Gouldy.

The first run will take place on Friday, November 20th, when the wheelmen will take a moonlight ride, leaving the Cycle House on Sixtieth Street, at 8 p. m. The pace will be slow, and after about a two-hours' ride, the participants will return to the clubhouse for supper.

All members of the club who desire to take part are requested to send their names and addresses to John B. Yates, 104 West Fifty-fifth Street, as early as possible, so that proper notice may be given of all club runs, etc.

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THE first district of the New York State Division of the L. A. W., composed of New York, Richmond and Westchester Counties, is entitled to forty representatives. Among this year's selections are Dr. Seneca D. Powell, A. H. Curtis, M. M. Belding, Jr., P. F. Bruner, John B Yates, F. L. Rodewald, J. E. Roosevelt and Dr. F. A. Myrick. Thus the fair proportion of one-fifth of the representatives are members of the New York A. C.

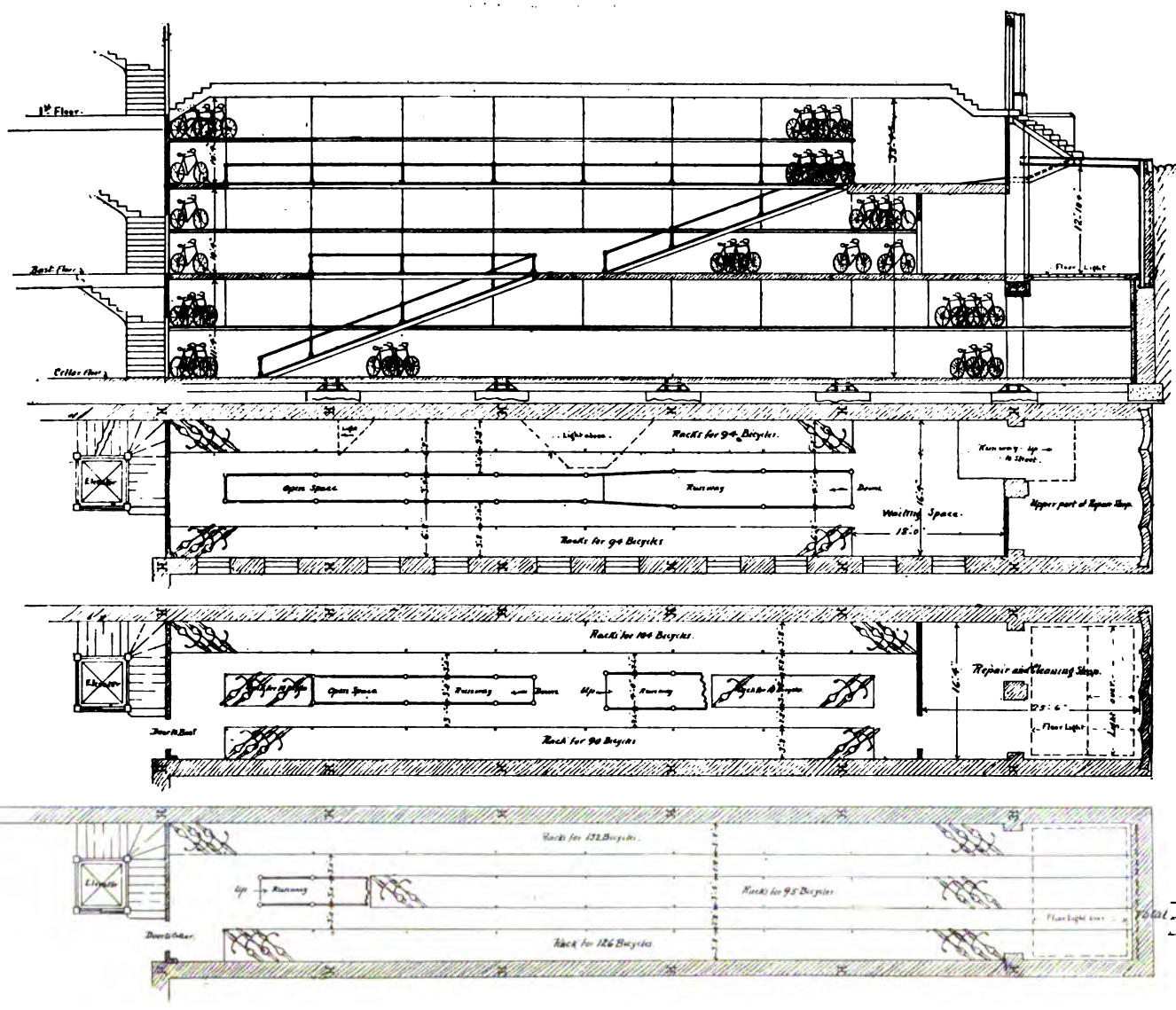
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THE following are the dates of the National Cycle Shows, under the auspices of the National Board of Trade of Cycle Manufacturers:

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# General Athletics

## CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

THE Canadian championship meeting on October 3d proved a fitting climax to one of the most successful athletic seasons which the club has had.

A cold, raw day militated against fast times, but the showing made by the New York A. C. contingent was remarkable. The members of the team won seven of the eight events in which they started, and took three seconds and two third places. Summary:

**One-hundred-yard Run—Won by B. J. Wefers, N. Y. A. C.; E. B. Bloss, N. Y. A. C., second; J. W. Humphrey, M. A. C., third. Time, 10 sec.**

**Two-hundred-and-twenty-yard Run—Won by B. J. Wefers, N. Y. A. C.; H. S. Lyons, N. Y. A. C., second; J. W. Humphrey, M. A. C., third. Time, 24 sec.**

**Four-hundred-and-forty-yard Run—Won by B. J. Wefers, N. Y. A. C.; C. H. Kilpatrick, N. Y. A. C., second; A. W. Gifford, M. A. A. A., third. Time, 50 sec.**

**Eight-hundred-and-eighty-yard Run—Won by C. H. Kilpatrick, N. Y. A. C.; A. W. Gifford, M. A. A. A., second; W. S. Hipple, N. Y. A. C., third. Time, 2 min. 3-5 sec.**

**One-mile Run—Won by A. Brodie, M. A. A. A.; R. Grant, T. A. C., second; G. W. Orton, N. Y. A. C., third. Time, 4 min. 26 sec.**

**Two-mile Run—Won by R. Grant, T. A. C.; S. A. Finley, M. A. A. A., second; A. Brodie, M. A. A. A., third. Time, 10 min. 37 4-5 sec.**

**One-hundred-and-twenty-yard Hurdle Race—Won by E. B. Bloss, N. Y. A. C.; E. H. Clark, Boston, Mass., second. Time, 17 sec.**

**Running High Jump—Won by C. U. Powell, K. A. C., 5 ft. 10 in.; E. H. Clark, B. A. A., 5 ft. 8 in., second; F. W. Coombs, St. J. B. and A. C., 5 ft. 6 in., third.**

**Running Broad Jump—Won by E. B. Bloss, N. Y. A. C., 21 ft. 5¼ in.; H. P. McDonald, M. A. A. A., 20 ft. 5¼ in., second; F. W. Coombs, St. J. B. and A. C., 20 ft. 4½ in., third.**

**Pole Vault—Won by F. W. Coombs, St. J. B. and A. C., 9 ft.; C. U. Powell, K. A. C., 8 ft., second.**

**Putting Sixteen-pound Shot—Won by J. W. Gray, N. Y. A. C., 42 ft. 10½ in.; E. H. Clark, B. A. A., 37 ft. 10½ in., second; A. Smith, M. A. A. A., 37 ft. 4½ in., third.**

**Throwing Sixteen-pound Hammer—Won by J. S. Mitchell, P. A. C., 128 ft. 4½ in.; W. Nicol, T. P. A. C., 120 ft., second; E. H. Clark, B. A. A., 104 ft. 7 in. third.**

**Throwing Fifty-six-pound Weight—Won by W. Nicol, T. P. A. C., 30 ft. 7½ in.; J. S. Mitchell, P. A. C., 29 ft. 8 in., second; J. McHugh, P. A. C., Montreal, 26 ft. 5½ in., third.**

## BOXING.

BOXING still holds its own in popular favor among the members of the New York A. C., and the opening of the present season was characterized by a large increase in the number of applicants for lessons. The demand for instruction in the noble art soon became so great as to overtax even the evergreen veteran, Mike Donovan, and the Athletic Committee found it necessary to engage an assistant teacher. The new employee is Jack Smith, late of the Toronto A. C., and his credentials indicate that he is thoroughly competent to meet the demands of the most exacting pupil.

AN excellent card has been arranged for the first boxing entertainment of the season, which will take place in the gymnasium on November 7th. The following are the bouts:

**125 pounds, 10 rounds—Marty McCue, New York, vs. Joe Elliott, Baltimore.**

**126 pounds, 10 rounds—Spike Sullivan, Ireland, vs. Willie Joh, New York.**

**112 pounds, 10 rounds—Dave Sullivan, Ireland, vs. Austin Rice, New London.**

**145 pounds, 10 rounds—Sam Tonkins, Astoria, vs. Harry Fisher, Brooklyn.**

The officials will be: Referee, Arthur J. Moore; judges, O. M. Beach, Jr., and H. E. Buermeyer; timekeeper, Robert Stoll; announcer, I. Bell Brennan.

A NEW punching bag and ceiling board have been added to the paraphernalia of the boxing room. The addition will prove a boon to those members who take pleasure in donning the mitts.

# CLUB CURRENTS

## THE MINSTREL SHOW.

THE Entertainment Committee is actively engaged in extensive and elaborate preparations for the annual minstrel show, which will undoubtedly be the greatest ever given by the club. The management is in the hands of the well-known amateur, Mr. John P. Nicholas, whose experience admirably qualifies him to produce an entertainment of unequaled attraction.

The chairman of the Entertainment Committee has invited the talent of the club to take part, and an unusually large number have volunteered their services. It now only remains for the members at large to get in line at the box office, secure seats and assure a financial success. The committee has no hesitation in guaranteeing an artistic success.

The performance will be at Carnegie Music Hall on December 30th. Boxes will be sold at auction, due notice of the sale being given. The box sheet, for sale of seats, will be open during the latter part of November, but applications may be made at any time in writing and will be placed on file and filled in the order received.

The first part, although partaking of the character of the initial features of a minstrel show, will be so disguised as to impress the average spectator with the idea that it is a comic opera of a very brunette type. The scene will be distinctly a Southern one, and the characters delineated will preserve from opening overture to finale a picture of Southern life full of incident and music, life and action, calculated to delight the fortunate audience. Humorous, pathetic, grotesque and popular songs, interspersed by clever action and artistic dancing, will occupy the attention during the entire first part, framed in a scenery specially painted for this occasion, which, judged by the model exhibited by the artist, Mr. John W. Rough, will be one of exceptional beauty.

The second part, professionally known as the olio, will consist of musical numbers of banjos, guitars and mandolins; a bicycle drill by some of the most expert riders in the club; an athletic number by the advanced pupils of Athletic Director Giannini, which will be a strong feature of the performance, and a humorous skit, burlesquing our street-cleaning department, embodying a song, fancy drill, funny effects, with a limelight on the side, by some of our Seventh Regiment members.

Arrangements for supper parties after the entertainment are under consideration, of which due notice will be given.

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THE first swarm of the Locusts for the season took place on October 29th, when the following gentlemen enjoyed an excellent dinner: J. H. Booth, J. D. Reynolds, Bartow S. Weeks, Dr. S. Ketch, Carlos Howard, Dr. C. F. Roberts, C. E. Knoblauch, E. S. Thomson, R. C. Fisher, E. J. Giannini, J. T. Fisher, F. P. Scudder, G. B. Hulme.

## OBITUARY.

MR. FRED H. CHAPIN died October 9, 1896.

MR. CHARLES A. BILLINGS died October 9, 1896.

MR. HEYWARD G. MEEKER died October 14, 1896.

MR. HENRY E. ABBEY died October 17, 1896.

MR. WALTER C. ABBOTT died October 28, 1896.

## THE SMOKER.

THE crowd in the gymnasium bubbled over with enthusiasm, patriotism and jollity when a record attendance greeted the first smoker of the season. An excellent programme was presented, concluding with the star of the theatrical season, Mlle. Anna Held, who kindly volunteered her services.

While waiting for the famous beauty to appear, the crowd utilized the time by singing campaign and patriotic songs, culminating with the "Star Spangled Banner." The stirring spectacle of more than a thousand men standing and singing the grand air to the accompaniment of waving flags, handkerchiefs and hats, made a never-to-be-forgotten scene.

From such an enthusiastic audience the French artist received an uproarious reception, and further appreciation of her efforts was shown by the presentation after the concert of a souvenir of the occasion, consisting of a brooch made with the Mercury Foot, fashioned in diamonds and rubies, and surrounded by a laurel wreath, the French colors being most artistically blended.

## PERSONALS.



COMMODORE BRONSON added new laurels to his crown at the inaugural games of the Regular Boarders on October 3d, by winning the all-around championship of the select circle. The events were open only to those patrons of the restaurant and cafe who roomed at the Island, and who had refrained from any more severe athletic exercise than perusing accounts in the club JOURNAL of the victories gained by our ordinary champions. Among those who upheld their reputation for inaction by gracefully accepting defeat were Frank O. Roe, J. D. Reynolds, G. W. Scott and A. L. Paynter. We avoid details of the games, as the publication of a full account has already caused the suspension of one paper, but among the noteworthy feats were Jack Reynolds' dignified win in the walk after every other competitor had been disqualified, and his narrow escape from settling a troublesome question forever by throwing the discus within six inches of Davy Roach's head.

The programme of seven events ended with a tie between the Commodore and Frank Roe for first place with 18 points each. There all friendship ceased, and under the R. B. U. rules a bloodthirsty game of dominoes was played to decide the contest, which Bronson won by a score of 300 to 245. A banquet followed, at which the successful competitors were presented with the magnificent prizes, Mr. Bronson receiving an elaborate candelabra of antique design and Mr. Roe a golden star of exceptional beauty and workmanship.

MR. THEODORE H. LEE has presented the club with a magnificent specimen of an owl, from the Suwanee River. The private history of the bird is replete with hard luck, and Mr. Lee's friends hope that now he has so generously disposed of his "hoodoo" he will occasionally win a game of pool.

MR. J. C. HAYS returned last month from an extended European trip. Cycling was one of his chief pleasures while away, and Mr. Hays expresses unbounded admiration of the excellent roads abroad.

MR. GEORGE D. PHILLIPS has accepted the management of the St. Nicholas Ice Skating Rink, where the New York A. C. hockey team will make its headquarters.

CONGRATULATIONS were showered upon Mr. James Lowerre on October 26th, the occasion of his forty-seventh birthday.

MR. W. B. CURTIS has an article in the current number of *Outing* on "American Amateur Athletes of 1896."

MR. EDWARD KEARNEY has been re-elected president of the Saratoga Racing Association.




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## CYCLING NOTES.

MR. CHARLES T. LUNT, a member of the club, is now secretary and treasurer of the Forcipede Company, which has just placed on the market a bicycle attachment of apparently much merit, inasmuch as it is designed to aid hill climbing, the pushing of high gears, and to nullify the retarding effects of head winds. The Forcipede consists of a rigid stop overhanging the seat in a position forwardly inclined to bear downwardly on the sacral region of the back, in line towards the pedals when the latter are moving downward, whereby the leg thrust tends to push the back against the under side of the stop. This action of the Forcipede prevents all oscillating or rocking motions of the body, or any tendency to rise from the saddle under any condition of work, and would prevent the chafing consequent to such movement, as well as the evil effects of rounding the shoulders and contracting the chest in attempting to put increased force on the pedals by pulling on the handle-bars.

THE much-heralded coasting contest of the Massasoit Bicycle Club was held October 26th on Meeting Hill in West Springfield. The weather was favorable, and the sport was witnessed by not less than 2,000 people.

The prize winners were F. E. Halley, of Chicopee Falls; H. A. Woodward, of New York, and J. E. Whittlesey, of New York. Halley and Whittlesey rode Victors and Woodward rode a Humber. The distances were 2,798, 2,789 and 2,761 feet respectively.

THE New York Aldermen have set aside Jerome and Central Avenues as speedways for fast horses. To be consistent, will the considerate gentlemen now make similar provision for scorching cyclists? There is as much, if not more exhilaration in speeding a bicycle as in speeding a horse, and the former outnumber the latter 100 to 1.—*The Wheel.*

THE election at Middlesex County, N. J., will determine whether there should or should not be constructed a bridge across the Raritan River at Perth Amboy. As most cyclists know, in riding to any of the seashore resorts in New Jersey, cyclists are compelled to take the train at this point, as they cannot otherwise cross the river, except by riding many miles back into the country. A bridge across the river would obviate either of the two alternatives.

Sing high, sing high, for the glow of health
That blooms the cheek so cheerily
Of the maids alike who roll in wealth,
Or who toil all day unwearily;
For the sinews firm, the strength like steel,
For the muscles large, dimensional,
That come to the maid who rides the wheel,
Despite all rules conventional.

Sing high, sing high, for the lady fair,
Not quite untouched by vanity,
And who knows her chic and her dashing air
Bewitch all male humanity;
Whose eyes shine bright with a lustre glad,
And whose voice rings out so girlishly;
The lovely maid with the cycling fad,
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THE conclusion of "A September Outing," an interesting cycling story by Wilson R. Yard, appeared in *The Wheel* of October 30th.



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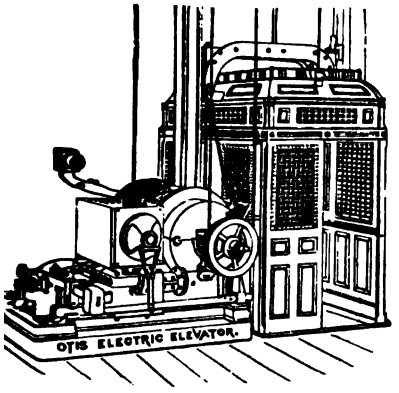
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## AN EPOCH IN CLUB HISTORY.

THE cornerstone of the new clubhouse was laid, with appropriate ceremonies, on the afternoon of November 28th. Threatening weather prevailed, but fortunately the downpour was withheld until the conclusion of the exercises.

The arrangements were carried out in a thorough manner under the management of the Cornerstone Committee, comprising the following: A. G. Mills, chairman; General Thomas L. Watson, Walter Stanton, C. T. Wills, Bartow S. Weeks, secretary; President James Whitely, ex-officio, and not the least hitch or confusion occurred. The attendance, of course, suffered from the inclemency of the weather, but still standing room was at a premium and the greatest interest was shown in the proceedings.

An enclosed space was provided for the orators of the occasion and the past and present officers of the club. The interest still taken by ex-officials in the club may be determined by the fact that all but two of the living ex-presidents were in attendance.

After the benediction, a general adjournment was made to the clubhouse, where cloudy skies could no longer dampen enthusiasm, and the remainder of the afternoon was spent in joyous celebration of the new era in the club's history.

The following is a detailed report of the proceedings:

The ceremony was commenced by the invocation of the divine blessing by Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter.

INVOCATION.

Almighty God, we have assembled here in Thy presence to-day to lay the cornerstone of this building dedicated to the strengthening of the body. Thou hast created us in Thine own image; Thou hast given us the body by which we express Thy mind; in creating us Thou hast vouchsafed to us the power by which we go about among our fellow-men; and Thou hast taught us in Thy holy word, when Thou, in the voice of the Apostles, hath said, "Ye know that your bodies are the temples of the Holy Ghost," which Thou hast reared in this world. Thou hast given us the human body, which is but the temple for the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit; Thou hast taught us to care for them and reverence them; Thou hast fashioned us after Thine own image as the instrument of Thy law, the means of Thy honor and service among men.

Bless those to-day who have come here to lay the cornerstone of this building. We do so because we know that Thy mind and will are in sympathy with every endeavor to care for the human body, enlarge its power, to make it the home of the Spirit; a home more worthy of its high and gracious presence. Teach each one of us to care for the sacred and precious tenement, that they may make all

that shall be done within its walls worthy of Thy glory and honor. Grant that those who come within the walls of this new building shall recognize the privilege that Thou hast given them that they may offer themselves for Thy service a building to Thy honor and glory. Preserve those who are the officers and rulers of this club; teach them the duties of good citizenship, and make them to see in all the walks of this life the great dignity and honor of human life in this land and in this generation.

Bless, we beseech Thee, all undertakings in Thy name and fear; remember those who are over us: the President of the United States, the Governor of this commonwealth and all others in authority. Protect this land which Thou hast so richly blessed and endowed; and under Thy law keep us and make us faithful citizens, soldiers of Thy will, seeking for the extension of truth and righteousness among nations, and to the triumph of truth and love and peace; and all these things we ask in the name and for the sake of Him who hath promised, if we pray to Him, our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The President, James Whitely:

"We are assembled to lay the cornerstone of this our new clubhouse. About a year ago we began the work of excavation for the foundation; but we had difficulties and had to change our plan, and I know that at about the holidays we thought that the difficulties of carrying out our project, that we had started out with, would prove insurmountable. But all this has been overcome. There is now nothing in the way of trouble ahead of us. It gives me great pleasure, on behalf of the Building and Finance Committee, to say to you that we confidently believe that by the first of October of next year, we shall occupy this building as our home, and as a permanent home.

"I do not think it would be proper for me to take up any of your time; there are so many other speakers who will interest you much more than I can. I congratulate you on the progress that we have already made.

"A list of the contents of the box which will be placed under the cornerstone will be read by ex-President Bartow S. Weeks."

Ex-President Bartow S. Weeks:

"Your committee having charge of the arrangements for the laying of this cornerstone have placed in the box which is to be placed within the stone, the following articles:

"A copy of the articles of incorporation of the club.

"A copy of the first constitution of the club.

"A copy of the present constitution of the club.

"A copy of the club seal.

"A list of all the officers and members of the club since its organization.

"A history of the club since its organization.

"Copies of resolutions of the club authorizing the purchase of the land at Fifty-ninth Street and Sixth Avenue, and authorizing the erection of the new clubhouse.

"A copy of invitations to ceremony of laying this cornerstone, and autographs of members of Building and Finance Committee, and of the architect.

"A copy of first published article concerning the New York Athletic Club.

"The names of the contractors.

"Copies of all the daily papers of November 28th."

The formal laying of the cornerstone was then proceeded with by the President of the club, who made the declaration, "I have tried this stone, and find it plumb, level, square, and truly laid."

The President: "It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you Hon. Chauncey M. Depew."

Hon. Chauncey M. Depew:

"Gentlemen of the New York Athletic Club:

"The laying of the cornerstone of what is to

be the most complete, commodious and perfect home of athletics in the world, is in harmony with the times. It is a significant note of progress and prosperity. It can hardly be said that it is one of the evidences of returning good times, like the opening of mills, factories and furnaces; but it does show the strength and continued growth of athletics, both in good and bad seasons. It was during the worst depression of the past two years, when financial and industrial conditions were the darkest, that this vigorous and plucky organization determined to invest a million of dollars in a new home. It is a tribute to muscular development, and the mental and spiritual hopefulness which it encourages, that situations which deter or destroy other enterprises have no effect upon a company of athletes.

"It is a singular phenomenon of our days that athletics in their modern sense are of such recent origin. I read an article last night in the issue of *Public Opinion* for this week upon the marvelous discoveries made by the French explorers in their excavations at Delphi. They would seem to indicate that in this ancient and classic home of the politics, the art, the public spirit, the religion and the patriotism of Greece, there were athletic clubs. They were not, however, clubs in our sense. They were, rather, gymnasiums or schools for professional athletes Fifty years ago institutions of this kind were unknown in the United States. This organization is only twenty-eight years old and it is one of the earliest in the country. Athletic exercises upon a scientific basis and with social associations originated in our colleges. Fifty years ago a man who was distinguished as a boxer, a wrestler, a runner, an oarsman, or a fine specimen of all-around muscular development, was regarded with distrust in business circles, was deemed unreliable in the professions and suspected of an inability to grasp spiritual truths in the churches. I think the reasons can be easily found from the fact that the young men who entered the academies or the colleges or came to the city to seek their fortunes were from the farms. From early youth they had been accustomed to follow the plow from sunrise to sunset, to use the scythe and the rake, the spade and the hoe, to lay stone walls and fill stone boats, to sleep during the long winter nights in rooms without fires, and to endure—no, not endure, but to enjoy with keen zest and ever fresh vitality—both work and play. When they left the old homestead they had laid up a store of muscle and brawn, of health and strength which resisted the habits of the student or the cares of the business man. One of the most distinguished of our lawyers and statesmen said to me that he thought he owed his immunity from any sickness for forty years, and his ability during that time to live up to every requirement of professional and public life, to the fact that he had not in that period taken any exercise. He acknowledged, however, that he had stored up a reservoir of vitality in his youth from which he could draw, and that his former ancestors who had followed the plow for two hundred years had given him a constitution and a frame of iron.

"It was common in our university towns, as well as in the counting houses, a third of a century ago, to see great numbers of men who were Bible-backed, because from leaning over desks and poring over books they had secured a curvature of the spine, which made the upper part of their anatomy resemble a reading desk. Men who had this figure were more likely to secure employment and promotion in sedentary pursuits than those who preserved and increased that noble form of humanity which, from its resemblance to the Maker, as we understand Him materialized, is worthily called God-like. We are fortunate in the exacting requirements of our day that neither curvature of the spine, nor chronic dyspepsia, nor an acrid temper, due to physical ills, is a sure charter to a diploma for learning or entrance to heaven.

"It is less than fifty years ago since the first college rowing club was formed. It is only a little over forty years ago since the first contest was had, and that between Yale and Harvard. Then came baseball, then football, and now, as we saw in the Yale team which went to Oxford and the Cambridge team which came over to the United States, every form of ath-



# UR OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

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## ENTERTAINMENTS.

**December 5—Ladies' Day.**
**December 12—Vaudeville in Gymnasium.**
**December 30—Annual Minstrel Show in Carnegie Hall, 8 p. m.**

## BOXING.

**December 19—Boxing Entertainment in Gymnasium, at 8.30 p. m.**

## HOCKEY.

**December 22—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Brooklyn.**
**January 5—New York A. C. vs. Brooklyn Skating Club, at New York.**

## BOWLING.

**December 7—New York A. C. vs. North End, at North End Alleys.**
**December 16—New York A. C. vs. Columbia, at Columbia Alleys.**
**December 23—New York A. C. vs. Jersey City A. C., at Jersey City.**
**January 4—New York A. C. vs. Elizabeth A. C., at Elizabeth.**

## HAND TENNIS.

**December 14—Preliminary Games for Club Championship.**

## BILLIARDS AND POOL.

**December 7—Preliminary Games for Club Billiard Championship.**
**December 14—Preliminary Games for Club Pool Championship.**

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leticism finds a home and exercise at our seats of learning.

"Our faith in an over-ruling Providence is being constantly strengthened by the evidences, not only of the things we read of in books, but also of what occurs in our own experience. We see how men are made for great crises in national affairs, and the habits and views of peoples are changed to meet the requirements of new situations. It is only upon the broad interpretations and understanding of an over-ruling Providence that we account for Washington and for Lincoln.

The world has changed entirely in the last third of a century. Fierce competition has produced new conditions and developed the necessity for fresh ability among those who would remain in the race, and all must remain in the race or become dependent upon charity or starve. Steam and electricity have done more than spiritualized matter and energized force. They have compelled men and women to live and work and think under electrical conditions. Dormant nerves, and inert cells of the brain, have been called upon for exertions which strained them to the extreme of

sensitiveness and the verge of breaking. The medical faculty and the pharmacopœia are wholly unable to cope with the many forms of nervous prostration, malarial debility and other weaknesses. We all recognize the frequent failure of a friend whose medical adviser tells him he has one or all of these troubles. We all know that he is the victim of over-work, over-worry and over-strain. The time-honored prescription is travel and rest. It is the mission and beneficent accomplishment of wise athletics to present the antidote for these disorders, to prepare the mind to meet the requirements of our age, of the telegraph and the telephone, of the morning and evening newspaper, and of the lightning express trains. It is another characteristic of our day that the opportunities for this education should also give the best commercial surroundings and social recreation. We can do little in any department of life without combination or organization. The athletic club presents the social side of club life in its most attractive form. Athletic pursuits are the handmaids of good habits and virtue. The amateur athlete, no more than the professional, can vitiate his blood with alcohol, or injure his lungs and heart with excesses in tobacco, or indulge in any vices which impair his vigor and his muscle. Ours are practical times, and sermons must be followed by service. It is useless now to give advice unless we can point the young man where he can follow it. So the healthful conditions of manly athletics have become the best aids to the preacher, the best assistants to the doctor, the best workers for the temperance societies, the best correctors of private morals and the best aids to good citizenship.

"Manly sports and international games are factors in maintaining the peace of the world. We have witnessed the cordial reception of the representatives of our colleges in England, and of the English university men here. While at Henley last summer, I heard the cheers and felt the enthusiasm of an alien crowd, both for our Yale oarsmen and for the crew of Frenchmen who came over from the Seine. These Frenchmen, despite our traditional views that there never was an athletic Gaul, beat some of the best crews on the Thames. Manly sport, like art, knows neither race nor territorial divisions. I was present at the dinner given by the Sports Club to the Yale crew. Two hundred and fifty English athletes, members of this, the leading athletic club of Europe, were the hosts. Each of their six speakers vied with each other in commending the gallantry and modesty of their visitors, and in cordial expression that they might come over and again try their luck. The catholicity of sport was happily illustrated by an old gentleman who said that he had been an oarsman for over fifty years. He gave a rapid review of the progress of the English oarsman in experimenting upon strokes, and oars and boats, and frankly admitted that the British crew had better opportunities for practice than American men, because they had open water all the year round. But he went further. He gave to our boys the result of his long observation and experience to the end, as he said, that they might utilize the best results of English practice, so that when they came again there would be no handicap against them on account of a poorer boat or poorer oars or a defective stroke; but with all these being equal, it should be a fair, manly and chivalric contest between American and English pluck, endurance, strength and skill.

"Upon this cornerstone let there arise a home for honorable athletics, a home which shall frown upon the brutality of some of its forms, a home that shall encourage every kind of healthful sport."

At the close of Mr. Depew's address, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Potter, and the ceremony was brought to a close.

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The Building and Finance Committee having charge of the erection of the new building and securing the necessary funds, is composed of President James Whitely, Chairman, August Belmont, A. G. Mills, Bartow S Weeks, General Thomas L. Watson, John R. Van Wormer, Charles E. Goodhue, Charles T. Wills, Walter Stanton, W. D. Searles and B. F. O'Connor, Secretary

## THE NEW YORK A. C.

THE following brief chronology of the club may be of interest:

The first steps towards the organization of the New York Athletic Club were taken at a meeting held August 27th, 1868, and the organization of the club was completed September 8th, 1868, and the constitution adopted December 1st, 1868, and articles of incorporation were filed April 4th, 1870.

The first boathouse was built on the Harlem River in 1870, and the first sculling race for the club championship was held July 29th, 1871.

The first athletic track was laid out in 1871, and the first handicap games for members were held October 21st, 1871.

The first games open to all amateurs were held on the Harlem River Grounds October 12th, 1872.

New athletic grounds were secured at Mott Haven and opened June 27th, 1874.

The first open amateur handicap meeting on the Mott Haven Grounds was held July 29th, 1876.

The first competition for the Amateur Championships of America was held on the Mott Haven Grounds September 30th, 1876.

New boathouse, foot of 138th Street, was opened July 21st, 1877.

First open competition for Mile Amateur Swimming Championship of America held August 25th, 1877.

First winter meeting held January 4th and 5th, 1878, and the prizes offered for the sparring and fencing championships of America.

In 1879 the club membership was 170 active members and 9 honorary members.

In 1883 the club bought the property at the corner of Fifty-fifth Street and Sixth Avenue, and on February 5th, 1885, the first athletic clubhouse ever built in this country was formally opened.

In 1888 an island in the Sound, near New Rochelle, was purchased and renamed Travers Island, in honor of the late William R. Travers.

The property at Fifty-ninth Street and Sixth Avenue was purchased July 6th, 1892.

The present membership of the club is 2,629.

## THE MINSTREL SHOW.

REHEARSALS for the minstrel show are progressing favorably, and those having the entertainment in charge are confident of producing a show of unusual excellence. Some of the best amateur performers in the vicinity will take part, and the special scenery will be of great beauty and thoroughly appropriate. The music will be under the direction of Harry J. Tyndall, which is a guarantee that it will be of a high order. Members desiring seats will be wise to apply at the office as early as possible, as the demand for them is greater than ever before. The prices are: Boxes, $25; parquet (reserved), $2; dress circle (reserved), $1.50; admission, $1.

The auction sale of boxes, which took place at the Vaudeville on November 28th, was very successful, an average price of nearly $50 being obtained. There are still some good boxes left at the upset price of $25.

Those who have taken boxes at present are: W. H. Caldwell, F. W. Garvin, C. R. Pratt, C. A. Tatum, J. S. Lee, H. P. Frothingham, Dr. J. H. Nesbitt, General T. L. Watson, James Whitely, C. I. Hudson, J. H. Haslin, G. W. Poucher, F. O Roe, G. E. Hanniman, I. B. Brennan, Clayton Platt, J. F. Simmons, J. J. Hopkins, C. E. Knoblauch, H. G. Silleck, Jr., August Belmont, Lyman Brown, A. G. Mills, E. W. Kearney, H. G. Timmerman, Bartow S. Weeks, H. K. S. Williams, T. Reed, Jr., F. M. Hausling, G. S. Wallace, B. H. Adams, A. M. Hawes, J. P. Bickerton, G. T. Wilson, R. J. Schaefer, R. K. Owens, E. Tucker, W. W. Cole, Walther Luttgen.

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THE present clubhouse of the New York A. C. is one of the finest proportioned and most handsome edifices of its kind in the city of New York. Architecturally considered it is a striking and beautiful building, and it is only the rapidly growing demands of the organization that compel a change. For some organization that needs a fine building, well located, well constructed, light and attractive, an opportunity will be afforded to acquire this property, which is bound to steadily increase in value.

# General Athletics

## HOCKEY.

THE formation of an Amateur Hockey League, mainly due to the exertions of Captain Bartow S. Weeks, followed closely on the organization of a team to represent the club in that popular sport. The clubs that have joined with the New York A. C. to foster and perpetuate the game are: Crescent A. C., St. Nicholas Skating Club and Brooklyn Skating Club.

At the organization meeting the following gentlemen were elected officers: President, Bartow S. Weeks, New York A. C.; Vice-President, Carroll J. Post, Jr., Crescent A. C.; Secretary-Treasurer, C. M. Pope, St. Nicholas Skating Club; Executive Committee, A. R. Fish, Brooklyn Skating Club; J. S. Garvin, Crescent A. C.; A. R. Pope, New York A. C.

The club team practice every Wednesday and Friday evening at the St. Nicholas Rink, between the hours of 7.30 and 8.30. The games of the League will be played at the St. Nicholas Rink, Sixty-seventh Street, near Columbus Avenue, and Brooklyn Rink, Clermont Avenue, near Myrtle Avenue.

The first game scheduled for the New York A. C. will be played in the latter rink on Tuesday, December 22d, when the team will be: Macrae, goal; Pope, point; Lynch, cover point; Wonham, Fenwick, Fry, Bogert, forward. Spalding, Cameron and Russell are also trying for places on the "Seven." The players are showing good work in practice and deserve the attendance of club rooters to encourage their efforts. The rules governing the championship and play will be found on page 16.

### SCHEDULE OF GAMES.

**December 15th—St. Nicholas S. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at New York.**

**December 22d—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Brooklyn.**

**January 5th—New York A. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at New York.**

**January 14th—St. Nicholas S. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Brooklyn.**

**January 26th—Crescent A. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at New York.**

**February 2d—St. Nicholas S. C. vs. New York A. C., at Brooklyn.**

**February 16th—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C. at New York.**

**February 23d—St. Nicholas S. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at Brooklyn.**

**March 2d—New York A. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at Brooklyn.**

**March 4th—St. Nicholas S. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at New York.**

**March 9th—Crescent A. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at Brooklyn.**

**March 23d—St. Nicholas S. C. vs. New York A. C., at New York.**

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THE bicyclists and cross-country runners enlivened Travers Island on Thanksgiving Day. The cyclists met at the Sixtieth Street house and rode up to the Island. The runners had an enjoyable spin over the surrounding country, and the two parties joined in a pleasant dinner afterwards in the cozy Potter House. Among those present were D. T. Garrie, E. J. Keane, Douglas Henry, E. Thorpe, J. C. Howard, C. W. Coleman, E. C. Roosevelt, C. K. Alley, M. Bishop, G. W. Scott, L. Lawton, P L. Howard, E. C. Carter, W. A. de Podesta, R. W. Rathborne.

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## HAND TENNIS.

A SCRATCH hand tennis tournament for the Club Championship has been arranged. The first game will be played on Monday, December 14, 1896. Entries close December 12th, in Gymnasium.

## SHOOTING.

THE inter-club shoot, by far the most important contest arranged by the Shooting Committee, took place at Travers Island, on November 21st.

Though poor weather marred the enjoyment of the spectators, absolute discomfort to the contestants was prevented by the thoughtful arrangement of heated tents.

The success of the venture was beyond all cavil, five teams competing, and the finish between them being close and exciting. The winner's total of 127 birds is a good score, considering the adverse condition of the weather. Chairman J. D. Foot is to be congratulated on the excellent scoring arrangements. By the system employed it was possible for the contestants to shoot at the rate of ten a minute.

The comparatively poor score of the New York A. C. team is due in a measure to the courtesy of the committee in loaning the Blooming Grove team the valuable assistance of L. Loomis, whose score would have materially added to the New York total.

A number of sweepstakes took place during the afternoon, the winners being Stanborough, Halstead, Loomis and Mason. Altogether about two thousand targets were used.

The Shooting Committee are considering further improvements to the plant, including the erection of a firing point house.

ENDEAVOR CLUB.—TOTAL SCORE, 127.

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NEWBURGH CLUB.—TOTAL SCORE, 124.

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BOILING SPRING CLUB.—TOTAL SCORE, 123.

FIRST 25 BIRDS.

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| Apgar | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | —22 |

SECOND 25 BIRDS.

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NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB.—TOTAL SCORE, 112.

FIRST 25 BIRDS.

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| Ponvert | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | —15 |
| Bradshaw | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | —18 |

SECOND 25 BIRDS.

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| Adams | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | —20——42 |
| Ponvert | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | —18——33 |
| Bradshaw | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0—19——37 |

BLOOMING GROVE CLUB.—TOTAL SCORE, 110.

FIRST 25 BIRDS.

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| Higginson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | —15 |
| Foot | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | —15 |
| Loomis | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | —21 |

SECOND 25 BIRDS.

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| Higginson | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | —20——35 |
| Foot | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | —17——32 |
| Loomis | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | —22——43 |

50 BIRDS. KNOWN TRAPS. UNKNOWN ANGLES.

# CYCLING

## THE CITIZENS' CUP.

BY a wise decision of the Bicycle Committee, the scene of the annual road race for the Citizens' Cup was transferred this year from the confines of hilly Westchester to the neighborhood of Freeport, Long Island. Picturesquely situated in the heart of Queens County, where good roads abound, the environment of Freeport proved perfect for the contest.

The course selected was a level stretch of seven miles and a half from Freeport to a point in Valley Stream, and return over the superb Merrick Road. Over seventy five members of the club journeyed to the rendezvous in the village, and this number of spectators was increased to several hundred before the competitors were started.

The day was almost faultless for bicycling, though the charms of a cloudless sky and a fresh, bracing atmosphere, laden with the salty aroma of the ocean, were slightly offset by a southeasterly breeze, against which the riders had to contend during the last half of the race. There was also considerable dust to annoy them, and at one point several of the competitors were interfered with by the members of the Meadowbrook Hunt Club, Theodore Burris, one of the scratch men, having to ride along the bordering field for some distance in order to avoid a collision. The officials were O. M. Beach, Jr., referee; Walter S. Wilson, starter; S. D. Powell, Fred Vilmar and John B. Yates, timers; John C. Gulick, judge at turn; C. H. Wilcox and G. S. Daniels, judges at the finish.

During the lull after the last competitor had started, the spectators amused themselves with good-natured chaffing, and frequent guesses were made as to who would arrive first. A bend in the road, about one hundred yards from the finish, prevented the crowd from having a view of the course, but numerous scouts, assisted by the local police, were on the lookout and caused many needless alarms among the officials by announcing the coming of the contestants whenever a stray rider or two was seen approaching at a fair pace. Finally the pickets sent in a genuine alarm, and a moment afterwards Weinacht shot across the line nine seconds ahead of Reynolds, his nearest competitor. Allen was about three minutes later; then came Burris, Powell and Glover, their wheels almost lapping.

The following is the order of finish and time of each competitor: Weinacht, 5.30, 45 min. 3 sec.; Reynolds, 6.30, 46 min. 12 sec.; Allen, 8.00, 50 min. 22 sec.; Burris, scratch, 46 min. 53 sec.; Powell, scratch, 46 min. 53 3-5 sec.; Glover, 30 sec., 47 min. 24 sec.; Thomas, 2.45, 48 min. 6 sec.; Henry, 5.00, 48 min. 38 sec.; Hanson, 2 30, 48 min. 54 sec.; Bourne, 6, 51 min. 24¾ sec.



E. WEINACHT.

Immediately upon the conclusion of the race, the whole party wheeled to Hempstead, five miles away, where a good dinner was served at Lang's Hotel.

The prizes were awarded as follows: Time, Theodore Burris, sleeve links, set with diamonds; first, Edward Weinacht, silver cup, engraved; second, E. P. Reynolds, silver-mounted umbrella; third, C. D. Allen, silver-mounted hair brush, military; fourth, Theodore Burris, silver-mounted umbrella; fifth, I. A. Powell, opal and pearl scarfpin; sixth, W. H. Glover, silver mug; seventh, Fred C. Thomas, silver pocket-knife; eighth, Douglas Henry, silver-mounted brush and comb; ninth, J. H. Hanson, silver flask; tenth, W. D. Bourne, silver-mounted cardcase.

Among those present were Messrs. Albert E. Colfax, J. C. Howard, N. E. Gouldey, A. L. Paynter, F. D. Ames, F. E. Himrod, H. S. Godsoe, A. H. Symons, F. C. Elgar, Elliott Burris, J. S. Burdette, E. F. Schenck, C. L. Jones, A. H. Ray, C. I. McLaughlin, F. A. Myrick, M. F. Plant, E. J. Benson, W. H. Heisser, D. T. Garrie.

## BOWLING.

THE club bowlers have commenced the season with steady, even work, and at the end of the first month's play occupy a good position in both the Athletic and Harlem Republican Leagues.

The Lobsters opened the season on November 13th with a series of games against the Agate Bowling Club of Brooklyn. They succeeded in winning one of the three games.

The scores of the regular team are:

### ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

**New York A. C. vs. Montclair, at Montclair, December 1st, 1896:**

| New York A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | Montclair. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Legien.... | 168 | 134 | 137 | Thomson... | 136 | 142 | 185 |
| More..... | 146 | 160 | 150 | Hornfeck.. | 165 | 167 | 151 |
| Wilmarth.. | 127 | 166 | 143 | English.... | 135 | 131 | 136 |
| Shaw..... | 157 | 139 | 190 | Lockwood.. | 155 | 169 | 154 |
| Brown..... | 188 | 163 | 160 | Snyder..... | 148 | 180 | 136 |
| Totals... | 786 | 762 | 780 | Totals... | 739 | 789 | 762 |

**New York A. C. vs. Roseville A. A., at Roseville, November 18th, 1896:**

| New York A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | Roseville A. A. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter..... | 165 | 157 | 131 | Pierson..... | 179 | 193 | 208 |
| More..... | 171 | 133 | 173 | Sayre..... | 144 | 182 | 158 |
| Bell... .... | 147 | 154 | 135 | Badger.... | 142 | 134 | 150 |
| Brown..... | 170 | 137 | 169 | Wood..... | 149 | 157 | 157 |
| Clute..... | 118 | 125 | 118 | Van Ness.. | 125 | 163 | 164 |
| Totals... | 771 | 706 | 726 | Totals... | 739 | 829 | 837 |

**New York A. C. vs. Elizabeth A. C., at New York A. C. Alleys, November 12th, 1896:**

| New York A. C. | 1st | 2d. | 3d. | Elizabeth A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter..... | 197 | 202 | 160 | F. Davis... | 150 | 167 | 167 |
| More..... | 181 | 163 | 185 | R. Davis... | 172 | 158 | 142 |
| Bell..... | 165 | 176 | 201 | Pope..... | 145 | 157 | 191 |
| Brown..... | 159 | 167 | 150 | Lane..... | 180 | 175 | 201 |
| Shaw..... | 211 | 183 | 134 | Dimock.... | 145 | 170 | 142 |
| Totals... | 913 | 891 | 830 | Totals... | 792 | 827 | 843 |

### HARLEM REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

**New York A. C. vs. Madison B. C., November 20th, 1896:**

| New York A. C. | | Madison B. C. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter..... | 191 | P. C. Haviland..... | 135 |
| Wilmarth..... | 193 | Lasell..... | 155 |
| Lyons..... | 160 | Hill ..... | 155 |
| More..... | 163 | F. B. Haviland..... | 158 |
| Brown..... | 168 | Moynahan..... | 150 |
| Total..... | 875 | Total..... | 753 |

**New York A. C. vs. Standard B. C., November 20th, 1896:**

| New York A. C. | | Standard B. C. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter..... | 155 | Wyman..... | 195 |
| More..... | 164 | Koehler..... | 173 |
| Wilmarth..... | 221 | Dubarry..... | 166 |
| Shaw..... | 178 | Allison..... | 172 |
| Brown ..... | 188 | Thompson..... | 141 |
| Total..... | 906 | Total..... | 847 |

## BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

GAME to be cushion caroms. Preliminary games (75 points) will commence Monday, December 7th. Game will be called at 8.30 o'clock p. m. Competitors not appearing by 9 o'clock will forfeit. Final games (150 points) will be played at the completion of the preliminary games. Entries close Saturday, December 5th. Prizes to first and second.

# CLUB CURRENTS

## THE TROPHY MATCH.

MUCH enthusiasm was shown by the crack shots of the club in the trophy match on November 14th, upon which depended the selection of a team for the interclub shoot.

The conditions were bad. A clear day made a strong reflection from the water, and a very cold wind from the northwest made the flight of targets so strong and uneven that it proved a hard matter for even the most expert shots to hit them. The score:

Fifty birds, 16 yds. rise, known angles.

| | BROKE. | MISSED. | TOTAL. |
|---|---|---|---|
| J. D. Foot | 36 | 14 | 50 |
| Platt Adams | 39 | 11 | 50 |
| J. E. Bradshaw | 36 | 14 | 50 |
| D. I. Bradley | 34 | 16 | 50 |
| G. Ponvert | 41 | 9 | 50 |
| — Burke | 22 | 28 | 50 |
| S. D. McElroy | 10 | 40 | 50 |
| F. M. Hausling | 29 | 21 | 50 |
| C. A. Reed | 13 | 37 | 50 |
| S. D. Leveridge | 34 | 16 | 50 |
| E. R. De Wolf | 34 | 16 | 50 |
| W. C. McKean | 12 | 38 | 50 |

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THE annual tournament for the club pool championship will begin Monday, December 14th. Entries close Saturday, December 12th. Game, continuous pool. Preliminary games, 75 balls. Final games, 150 balls.

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THE chairman of the Entertainment Committee has received a note from Miss Hilda Clark, thanking in glowing terms the members of the club who attended her debut at the Murray Hill Theatre.

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THE list for the Employees' Christmas Fund is opened. Members will undoubtedly appreciate the opportunity to reward the faithful services and attention of the employees during the year.

## KING OSCAR'S TRIBUTE.

KING OSCAR, of Sweden, has done a most gracious act in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel D. Youmans, of New York City, who were killed while driving along a mountain road near Bergen, Norway, on July 4 last. The State Department has received photographs and a description of the monument erected on the spot from the United States Consul at Bergen. The monument is a roughly hewn shaft, resting upon a massive base, with a Norwegian inscription, which, translated, is:

"Mr. and Mrs. Daniel D. Youmans, of New York, met their death here by an accident on the 4th of July, 1896. God's grace be with them."

On the reverse side is:

"Oscar the Second erected this memorial."

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A CIRCULAR has been sent to the members of the club, calling attention to the issue of bonds for the new clubhouse fund. The response has been satisfactory, nearly half of the amount required having already been subscribed. There are now about $20,000 worth of bonds remaining, which patriotic members who have not yet subscribed should immediately apply for, and thus feel that they have helped to make the erection of the edifice possible.

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THE Entertainment Committee arranged an excellent vaudeville performance for the evening of November 28th, including volunteer numbers by Mr. Joseph F. Sheehan, whose tenor singing was much appreciated, and Miss Amelia Summerville, Mr. John Slaven and Mr. Richard F. Carroll. The other numbers on the programme also received well-merited applause.

## THE FIRST CLUB RUN.

THE first night run of the club wheelmen this season was held on November 20th. The riders started from the clubhouse soon after 8 o'clock and proceeded by way of the Western Boulevard to Fort George. After warming up, the riders returned to the clubhouse, where an elaborate supper was served.

Speeches were called for after the repast, and President James Whitely said, among other things, that the wheeling members of the club would find themselves well cared for in the new clubhouse.

Among the other speakers were B. C. Williams, J. Seymour Wood, Walter S. Wilson, and Bartow S. Weeks. The prominent members who took part in the run were: N. E. Gouldey, N. S. Towner, Dr. F. A. Myrick, M. L. Bridgeman, H. G. Barnard, J. Seymour Wood, Alfred E. Colfax, Walter S. Wilson, T. E. Belts, John C. Gulick, F. W. Kitching, J. H. Hanson, George S. Daniels, Elliott Burris, Charles K. Alley, C. H. Wilcox, J. C. Howard, H. P. Gibson, E. M. Barry, F. E. Himrod, Dr. G. G. Van Shaick, George M. Boynton, Dr. Henry Griswold, George William Hart, C. C. Sibley, J. W. Carter, F. W. Benner, Robert Stoll, Dr. Seneca D. Powell, P. E. Rasor, William H. Hayes, C. C. Ramsey, Douglas Henry, James S. Burdette, Irwin A. Powell, O. M. Beach, D. M. Stern, George T. Wilson, Paul Keane, A. H. Curtis, W. D. Bourne, G. M. Hahn, Frank C. Elgar, D. T. Garry, Frank L. Slazenger, Washington Morton, Lester B. Howe, Charles J. McLaughlin, E. N. Huggins, Fred Oakes, F. L. Donohue, A. L. Paynter, Alfred Costello, C. D. Allen, J. Laphan, W. C. Frazee, T. I. Lee, E. Jerome, E. P. Reynolds, W. E. Dickey, Simeon Ford, J. S. Jacobus, E. T. Bartlett, Charles L. Burnham, Charles W. Coleman, F. D. Ames, Richard Nelson, Theodore Wentz, William P. Whyland, A. R. Hawley, Alfred Eaton, B. A. Acrid, Ross N. Turner, E. J. Benson, C. A. Dean, J. B. Yates.

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MR. GEORGE B. HULME'S horses, Great Scott, Blazeaway, Goldenrod, Ganymede and Cracksman, won prizes at the New York Horse Show.

## PERSONALS.



ON Thanksgiving Day a coaching party of New York Athletic Club members drove from the clubhouse to Tarrytown and back on the mail coach "Meteor," a distance of 56 miles. Mr. John F. Baudouine was the whip, and handled the ribbons in good style throughout.

The start was made at 9.15 a. m., and the club reached home at 6.40 p. m. In the party were Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, E. Deppeler, M. Hart, Arthur J. Moore, James P. Lee, C. C. Hibberd, J. B. Moore, J. F. Dullea, E. Staples, J. F. Baudouine, W. F. Mohr.

THOUGH ladies did not receive special invitations to the cornerstone exercises, Mrs. J. H. Stead and Mrs. J. W. Carter showed their deep interest in the club by attending in spite of the inclement weather. Mrs. Stead secured an interesting memento of the occasion in the workman's trowel used in the laying of the stone.

IN spite of the wintry weather Mr. Clark Miller is still cruising around the waters of the Sound in the yacht "Wolverine." She will go out of commission only when the Sound freezes over, or Bob Fisher's engineer, "Ollie," refuses to serve in that capacity any more.

MANY friends of Mr. T. E. Belts will journey to Brooklyn, on December 9th, to witness the marriage ceremony between the popular clubman and Miss Jessie Kirk Snyder, which takes place at the home of the bride's parents.

MR. JOSEPH GORDON had such an enjoyable time at the clubhouse after the laying of the cornerstone, that he suggests the idea of having a celebration at the laying of the cornerstone of every floor.

THE reason why W. H. Pinckney, alias "The Pink," has taken to riding a wheel is troubling his intimate friends.




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### CHAMPIONSHIP RULES.

1. The season shall be between December 1st and April 1st.

2. The Championship shall be decided by a series of games, a schedule of which shall be arranged at the annual meeting. The club winning the most games shall be declared Champions.

3. All Championship Games shall be played on covered rinks, arranged for at the annual convention.

4. The League shall offer a Championship Trophy, the winning club to hold same and be recognized as Champions.

5. Any team making default shall forfeit its right to compete for the Championship for that season, and all games played by defaulting team shall be declared off.

6. A Referee should be decided upon by the captains forty-eight hours before a game.

7. It shall be the duty of the captains of the contesting teams to hand to the Referee the names of the players for each game, before the start. It shall be the duty of the Referee to forward to the Secretary of the League the score of each game, with the names of players and umpires.

8. Captains before a game shall toss for choice of goals.

9. A player must be a *bona-fide* member of the club he represents at least thirty (30) days before he is eligible to compete in Championship games. No player shall play in an Amateur Hockey League schedule game who, during the then current season, has played with another club in a recognized Hockey Association, without special permission of the Executive.

### HOCKEY RULES.

1. A team shall be composed of seven players, who shall be *bona-fide* members of the club they represent.

2. The game shall be commenced and renewed by a face in the centre of the rink. Rink shall be at least 112 feet by 58 feet.

3. A goal is placed in the middle of each goal line, composed of two upright posts, four feet in height, placed six feet apart, and at least five feet from the end of the ice. The goal posts shall be firmly fixed. In the event of a goal post being displaced or broken, the Referee shall blow his whistle, and the game shall not proceed until the goal is replaced.

4. The puck shall be faced by being placed between the sticks of two opponents, and the Referee then calling play.

5. Two halves of twenty minutes each, with an intermission of ten minutes between, will be the time allowed for games. A game will be decided by the team scoring the greatest number of goals during that time. In case of a tie after playing the specified time, play will continue for ten minutes more, when in the event of the score still being even, another game will be played at a time and place mutually agreed upon, such time to be prior to the next scheduled game. Goals shall be changed after each half.

6. No change of players shall be made after a game has commenced, except for reasons of accidents or injury during the game.

7 Should any player be injured during a game and compelled to leave the ice, his side shall have the option of putting on a spare man from the reserve to equalize the teams; in the event of any dispute between the captains as to the injured player's fitness to continue the game, the matter shall at once be decided by the Referee.

8. Should a game be temporarily stopped by the infringement of any of the rules, the captain of the opposite team may claim that the puck be taken back and a face take place where it was last played from before such infringement occurred.

9. When a player hits the puck, anyone of the same side who at such moment of hitting is nearer the opponent's goal line is offside, and may not touch the puck himself, or in any way whatever prevent any other player from doing so, until the puck has been played. A player must always be on his own side of the puck.

10. In the event of any offside play, the Referee shall demand the immediate surrender of the puck to the opposing side, their opponents to stand at a distance not less than five yards from the puck. If the offense be committed within ten yards of either goal line, it will be faced in the ordinary way.

11. The puck may be stopped, but not carried or knocked on, by any part of the body. No player shall raise his stick above the shoulder. Charging from behind, tripping, collaring, kicking or cross-checking, shall not be allowed, and the Referee must rule off the ice, for any time in his discretion, a player who, in his opinion, has offended deliberately against the above rule.

12. When the puck goes off the ice behind the goal line, or a foul occurs behind the goal line, the puck shall be brought out by the Referee to a point five yards in front of the goal line, at right angles from the point at which it left the ice, and there faced. When the puck goes off the ice at the side, it shall be similarly faced three yards from the side.

13. The goal keeper must not, during play, lie, kneel or sit upon the ice, but must maintain a standing position.

14. A goal shall be scored when the puck shall have passed between the goal posts from in front and below an imaginary line across the top of posts.

15. Hockey sticks shall be made of wood, with no harder substance attached thereto, and shall not be more than three inches wide at any point.

16. The puck must be made of vulcanized rubber, one-inch thick all through and three inches in diameter.

17. The captains of the contesting teams shall agree upon a Referee, who shall also act as timekeeper; and two Umpires, one to be stationed behind each goal, which positions shall not be changed during a game, except by mutual consent.

18. All disputes on the ice shall be settled by the Referee, and his decision shall be final.

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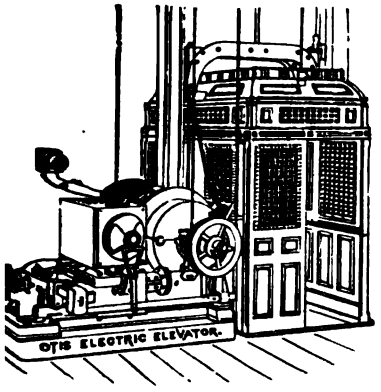
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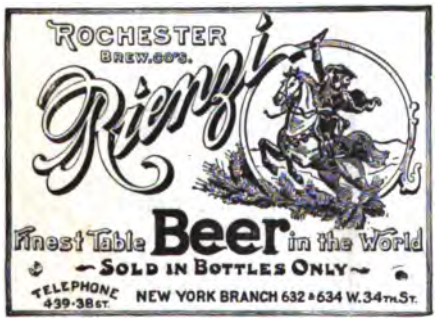


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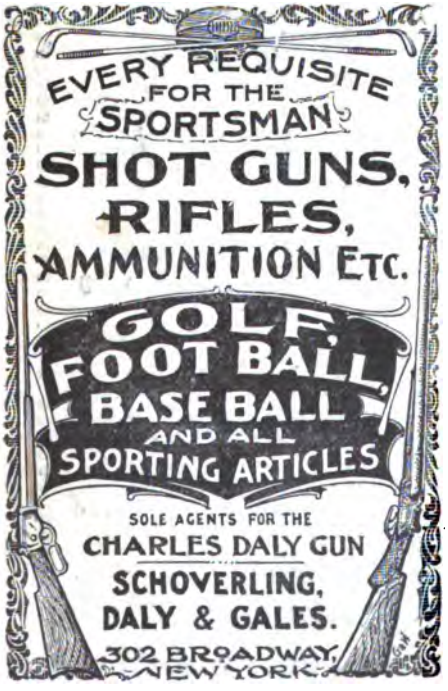
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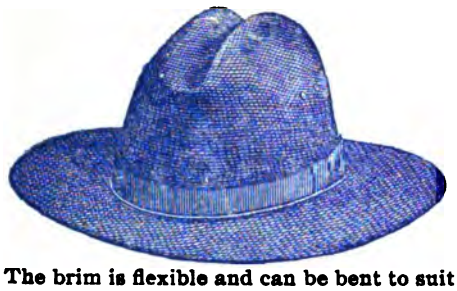
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## A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

AGAIN it is the pleasure of the JOURNAL to extend this hearty wish to the members of the New York Athletic Club.

Every circumstance in connection with the club leads to the belief that there will be a satisfactory fulfillment of the wish.

Thanks to the untiring efforts of the Building and Finance Committee, the new clubhouse is far advanced, and its occupation by the club assured during the present year of grace.

Everyone will be happy when we enter into the possession of our new property, so let each member join the JOURNAL in wishing a particularly happy new year to the members of the committee who have worked and are still working for that end.

The fact that the regular ticket for officers and governors has met with no opposition, not only denotes that our past board has well and faithfully served the club, but indicates a peaceful and harmonious year of club life, the extinction of feuds and the suppression of all small cliques or parties which tend to hinder the progress of the club in its onward march. A happy new year to the excellent Nominating Committee capable of selecting a ticket in thorough harmony with the feelings of twenty-five hundred other members.

To our athletes, oarsmen, those who carry the Mercury Foot in any branch of sport, and those identified with the club in any capacity, we wish a happy new year.

## THE REGULAR TICKET.

THE Nominating Committee appointed by the Board has posted the following ticket for officers and governors:

President—James Whitely.

Vice-President—Thomas L. Watson.

Secretary—John C. Gulick.

Treasurer—Charles E. Goodhue.

Captain—Bartow S. Weeks.

Governors for two years—E. W. Kearney, Charles T. Wills, Albert E. Colfax, Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, W. D. Searls, Louis H. Orr, Fred. M. Hausling, Howard P. Frothingham.

Governor for one year—James H. Haslin.

## YVETTE GUILBERT TO APPEAR.

THE celebrated French artist, Yvette Guilbert, has kindly volunteered to appear at the smoker on January 16th. The entertainment, under these circumstances, can hardly fail to add another to the already long list of remarkable successes placed to the credit of the Entertainment Committee since Dr. Burch has been chairman.

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THE Building and Finance Committee, through its chairman, President Whitely, has addressed a circular to all the club members, asking them to interest themselves in the building of the new house, and suggesting they may be in a position to present the name of a friend or acquaintance as an applicant for admission to the club. It is further suggested that prompt action on the part of members will materially aid our Building Fund and will be of great help to the Building and Finance Committee, and each member who thus brings in a friend will have the satisfaction of having assisted in the construction of the new building, which, when completed, will afford facilities and advantages that no other club can offer. To anyone familiar with club life this statement is readily confirmed, as $50 a year for a resident member in dues and $25 for a non-resident member is indeed a small outlay for all that can be had in the New York Athletic Club. The facilities of our city house, with baths, bowling, billiards, gymnasium, cycle department, dining and sleeping rooms on one of the most beautiful building sites in New York, and the superb attractions of Travers Island in the summer, form a combination that no other club can offer.

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THE wearing of the New York Athletic Club emblem by persons not identified with the club has been a theme of comment in previous issues of the JOURNAL. It is time that steps were taken to put an end to the unenviable notoriety occasioned the club by the action of persons unscrupulous enough to display in public places the insignia of an organization with which they have no identification.

At the recent six-day bicycle race in Madison Square Garden the trainer of one of the professional riders appeared resplendent in a sweater bearing the regulation Mercury Foot, and we have also seen the emblem worn by a colored individual in the streets of New York.

The law on the subject, contained in Section 674a of the Penal Code, is:

> Unauthorized wearing badges of certain orders and societies: Any person who willfully wears the insignia, badge or rosette of the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, of the order of Patrons of Husbandry, or of any society, order or organization of ten years' standing in the State of New York, or uses the same to obtain aid or assistance within this State, unless entitled to use or wear the same under the constitution and by-laws, rules and regulations of such order or of such society, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Under the above section a complaint was recently made against a negro for wearing, unauthorizedly, a college fraternity badge, and he was discharged on surrendering the badge.

Members should make it their duty to investigate cases coming under their notice where the emblem of the club is paraded in an objectionable manner, and if the offender persists in violating all rules of propriety, the law is clear enough to teach him a salutary lesson.

## OUR NEW GOVERNORS.

THE frontispiece of the JOURNAL this month is a group of the new members of the Board of Governors. All the gentlemen are prominent figures in club life, and the following brief personal description will serve to introduce them to those members who have not the pleasure of their acquaintance.

Mr. Charles T. Wills is a well-known club man, and has served for years as a Governor of the Colonial Club. He is also an enthusiastic yachtsman, and is Commodore of the Indian Harbor Yacht Club. Mr. Wills is one of the most prominent builders of the city, and has charge of the construction of some of the most important of New York's lofty buildings, including the New York Life, American Surety, Bank of Commerce and Johnson buildings.

At the present time Mr. Wills' services to the club are invaluable in connection with the building of the new clubhouse, and he has been a most competent member of the Building and Finance Committee.

Mr. W. D. Searls, vice-president of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, has already served two terms as a Governor of the New York Athletic Club, having been elected to the Board in 1892 and re-elected in 1894. Mr. Searls was compelled to decline a renomination in 1896 on account of ill-health. His standing in the world of finance renders him a particularly valuable addition to the new Board, which is destined to handle many important monetary questions. He is also a valued member of the Building and Finance Committee. To the military members of the club Mr. Searls is well known as one of the Seventh Regiment Veteran Corps, he having served ten years in that crack regiment of the National Guard of the State of New York.

Mr. E. W. Kearney scarcely needs an introduction to the members of the New York Athletic Club. He is deservedly popular with those who frequent the club, and hardly a day passes in the winter season that Mr. Kearney does not put in an appearance at the city house. He is a member of the firm of Van Tassell & Kearney, the well-known carriage dealers and owners of the great Auction Horse Mart. He is an enthusiastic patron of the turf and is also a prominent figure in political circles of this city.

Mr. Fred M. Hausling is another member whose interest in the club never flags. He has always been willing to devote himself to the furtherance of any club project, and has previously served on the Board of Governors of the club. He has a very extensive business as a contractor, and in the removal of some of the largest buildings in the city ranks among the first where experience and ability are needed in such a careful class of work. Mr. Hausling, in the palmy days of amateur baseball, achieved a reputation as a pitcher, and his services are still in demand in the friendly games that take place at Travers Island. He is also a well-known yachtsman, and many a jolly trip has been taken by club members on his steam launch Golden Rod.

Mr. Louis H. Orr, though the youngest member of the Board, is a gentleman of large business experience and thoroughly qualified to assist in the arduous duties pertaining to the management of such a large club as the New York A. C He is treasurer of the firm of Bartlett & Co., The Orr Press, and as a printer has a national reputation. Mr Orr's magnificent physique is probably the result of his early training as an oarsman, for in 1877–8 he was captain of the Winona Boat Club of Jersey City. At the present time he is an enthusiastic wheelman. Among the cyclists he is particularly well known, and his never-failing genial manner has made him extremely popular with those who have a personal acquaintance with him.

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## A DRAMATIC ASSOCIATION.

INITIAL steps are being taken to form a permanent dramatic association in connection with the club. When this is done it is hoped that the talent which has been lying dormant in the club will come to the front and, with organized and concerted action, make a huge success of the next annual entertainment.

## MILEAGE.

THE fact that only seventy-four members of the club have reported mileage of over 1,000 miles to the Bicycle Committee does not indicate a falling off in the riding strength of the club. On the contrary, there is no doubt that the number of members who have covered over 1,000 miles in the past year exceeded the 104 reported in 1895. The falling off is accounted for by lack of inclination, from various causes, to send in the mileage, especially on the part of those who come under the 2,000-mile class, and whose ambition would be appeased by a bronze medal only. During last year twenty-one men rode 3,000 miles, twenty-three, 2,000, and twenty, 1,000 miles. In the latter class last year fifty-four reported, and there is scarcely a doubt that several hundred members covered more than 1,000 miles, but failed to register at either the Cycle House or the City Clubhouse.



Dr. F. A. Myrick.

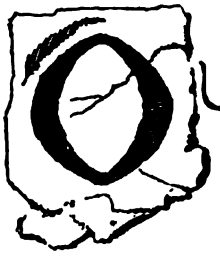
Though the total mileage falls below the average, the three leaders are well ahead of the total made by the first three on last year's list, and Dr. F. A. Myrick, the "Mileage King" of 1896, even eclipses the great performance of John B. Yates in 1895.

The mileage:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| F. A. Myrick | 12,846 | W. H. Hall. | 2,390 |
| N. E. Gouldy | 11,111 | Lewis C. Smith | 2,328 |
| J. C. Howard | 10,011 | A. H. Symons | 2,201 |
| I. A. Smith | 7,423 | Douglas Henry | 2,174 |
| H. C. Boullard | 4,831 | A. H. Wray | 2,112 |
| J. H. Hanson | 4,659 | J. E. Domschke, Jr. | 2,091 |
| A. W. W. Evans | 4,507 | W. D. Browne | 2,074 |
| W. G. Bates | 4,009 | John S. Jacobus | 2,048 |
| Frederick Oakes | 3,943 | George M. Hahn | 2,047 |
| F. E. Faulkner | 3,681 | C. F. Dellinger | 2,044 |
| F. L. Rodewald | 3,517 | George M. Boynton. | 2,040 |
| Charles K. Alley | 3,503 | P. E. Rasor | 2,024 |
| J. W. Carter | 3,482 | F. E. Himrod | 2,010 |
| Frederick C. Thomas | 3,462 | F. W. Kitching | 2,003 |
| E. J. Benson | 3,447 | H. P. Gibson | 2,003 |
| John C. Gulick | 3,375 | George A. Nicoll | 2,003 |
| J. C. Hays | 3,358 | A. D. Mewborn | 2,000 |
| I. F. Mead | 3,340 | W. E. Findley | 1,721 |
| Irwin A. Powell | 3,250 | George H. Stone | 1,702 |
| Washington Morton | 3,233 | F. A. Tanner | 1,575 |
| E. Weinacht | 3,200 | Charles E. Peck | 1,563 |
| W. Everett Smith | 3,139 | Dwight W. Taylor | 1,558 |
| Frank C. Elgar | 3,113 | Alfred Mestre | 1,553 |
| E. P. Reynolds | 3,072 | Robert J. Devlin | 1,546 |
| G. G. Van Schaick | 3,065 | George S. Daniels | 1,534 |
| C. C. Ramsey | 3,050 | L. W. Kennard | 1,502 |
| W. H. Hays | 3,023 | Theodore E. Belts | 1,454 |
| Wilson R. Yard | 3,019 | F. S. Jordan | 1,400 |
| Theodore Wentz | 3,010 | E. C. Carter | 1,389 |
| George H. Cisco | 3,003 | Seneca D. Powell | 1,365 |
| W. E. McCredy | 3,000 | T. F. Patterson, Jr. | 1,354 |
| John A. Healey | 2,975 | W. G. Conklin | 1,167 |
| Richard Nelson | 2,810 | W. N. Bavier | 1,100 |
| O. J. Stephens | 2,751 | E. L. Campion | 1,093 |
| W. C. Story | 2,639 | H. A. Smith | 1,065 |
| E. R. Rogers | 2,624 | W. H. Heisser | 1,030 |
| H. G. Barnard | 2,492 | Guy L. Briggs | 1,001 |

The following is a comparison of the mileage records of the club for the past five years:

| | Number Riders. | Total Mileage. | Highest Individual. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1892 | 18 | 36,193 | T. E. Belts | 3,618 |
| 1893 | 28 | 60,000 | T. E. Belts | 5,668 |
| 1894 | 47 | 106,172 | C. L. Jones | 6,473 |
| 1895 | 104 | 248,634 | J. B. Yates | 12,632 |
| 1896 | 74 | 216,608 | Dr. F. A. Myrick | 12,846 |



# UR OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO THE FACT THAT OFFICIAL NOTICES WILL BE PUBLISHED ONLY IN THE JOURNAL AND UNDER THIS HEADING.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

February 27—Vaudeville in Gymnasium.

## CREW DINNER.

February 20—Annual Crew Dinner at Travers Island.

## BOXING.

February 20—Boxing Entertainment in Gymnasium, at 8.30 p. m.

## PAPER CHASING.

February 12—Paper Chase. Starting from Travers Island on Arrival of 10.45 a. m. Train.

February 22—Paper Chase. Starting from Travers Island on Arrival of 10.45 a. m. Train.

## CYCLING.

February 18—Annual Dinner of Cyclists, at 7 p. m.

## AQUATICS.

February 13—Swimming Competitions for Club Championships, at 8 p. m.

February 25—Handicap Swimming Competitions, at 8 p. m.

## BOWLING.

February 10—New York A. C. vs. Columbia on New York A. C. Alleys.

February 17—New York A. C. vs. Jersey City A. C., at Jersey City.

## HOCKEY.

February 16—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at New York.

March 2—New York A. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at Brooklyn.

## HOCKEY.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. BROOKLYN S. C.

THE hockey team had no reason to complain of lack of encouragement when the league game against the Brooklyn Skating Club was played at St. Nicholas Rink on January 5th, for in the large crowd that lined the ice were many faces that are usually to be seen around the City Clubhouse.

From the moment of facing, the New York A. C. men had everything their own way, and the play was invariably in the Brooklyn's territory. Their goal-keeper was perpetually harassed by the aggressive New Yorkers, while Macrae, who played that position for the New York A. C., was in danger of freezing at his post from lack of exercise.

Three minutes after play was called Bogert scored first for the New Yorks. Only fifty-five seconds elapsed before Smyth cut the puck in for the second goal. Spalding scored the third goal and Fenwick the fourth. The men had scarcely lined up again before Fry, by lightning play, sent the puck through in five seconds. Three minutes later Fenwick's drive again eluded the Brooklyn goal-keeper. Bogert, Fry and Fenwick then scored in rapid succession before the referee's whistle ended the first half, the score standing New York A. C., 9; Brooklyn S. C., 0.

It took Fenwick five minutes to land the first goal after play was called for the second half. Then Fry tallied three in rapid succession, and, the Brooklyn team getting desperate, some fierce play followed, ending in Russell, of the New Yorks, being ruled off for throwing a blue-shirted Brooklynite into the crowd. With this loss it took the Mercury Foot cracks eight minutes to score the fourteenth and final goal.

The line-up and summary:

| New York A. C. | Position. | Brooklyn S. C. |
|---|---|---|
| Macrae | Goal | Hallock |
| Russell | Point | Mackenzie |
| Fenwick (Captain) | Cover Point | Randall |
| Fry | Forward | Walker |
| Spalding | Forward | Leeming |
| Bogert | Forward | Loundsbury |
| Smyth | Forward | (Captain) Drakley |

Score—New York A. C., 14. Brooklyn S. C., 0.

Referee—C. M. Pope, St. Nicholas S. C.

Umpires—A. J. Kerwin, New York A. C.; J. Jacobs, Brooklyn.

Goals—Fry (6), Fenwick (4), Bogert (2), Smyth, Spalding.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. YALE UNIVERSITY.

When the New York A. C. hockey team met Yale on January 13th, the absence of Lynch and Wonham from the local team evened up the game considerably, but in spite of this the New Yorkers scored an easy victory, which would have been even more overwhelming but for the magnificent goal-keeping of Smith, whose work was the feature of the game. The collegians were especially weak in team play, many brilliant individual efforts producing no result, because of ineffectual support or neglect to pass at the proper moment.

At the end of the first half the score stood 3 to 1 in favor of New York. In the second half about twenty shots were made at the Yale goal, but only four eluded the superb defense of Smith.

The line-up and summary:

| New York A. C. | Position. | Yale. |
|---|---|---|
| Macrae | Goal | Smith |
| Russell | Point | Sutton |
| Fenwick | Cover Point | Fincke |
| Spalding | Forward | Stoddart |
| A. R. Pope | Forward | Hall |
| Fry | Forward | Ryder |
| Bogert | Forward | Barnes |

Score—New York A. C., 7. Yale, 1.

Referee—R. D. Wrenn.

Umpires—J. Barnet, J. Lynch.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. NEW YORK HOCKEY CLUB.

The third meeting of the New York A. C. and New York Hockey Club teams on January 22d attracted a large crowd of spectators to the St. Nicholas Rink, in spite of the increased charge for reserved seats. Those present were rewarded by witnessing one of the best games of the season.

The tie game played between the two teams earlier in the season enhanced the interest in the contest. Both sides were on their mettle, and though the Mercury Foot players were on the offensive most of the time, they could not overcome the magnificent defense of the Hockey

Club team, especially the massing of their men around the goal at critical times, and the game resulted in a tie again with two goals each.

Hunt got possession of the puck on the face, and for a few moments the Hockey Club had the best of the play. Their onward rush was stopped by Pope, and the puck passed to Fry, who, with the assistance of Bogert, carried it down the line in magnificent style. Bogert's shot for goal was well stopped by O'Donnell, who lifted the puck out of danger. Then Hunt got possession of the puck, and scored a goal after eight minutes' play.

Brilliant play by the New York A. C. men followed, resulting in Spalding shooting a goal and equalizing the score. Though many other attempts were made at the Hockey Club goal, the splendid defensive work of O'Donnell prevented any more scoring until half time was called.

The play was even faster in the second half, and repeated shots at the goal were ineffectual for five minutes, when Fenwick passed the puck to Fry, who neatly sent it across the ice to Lynch, the latter consummating the fine team work by scoring another point for the Athletic Club.

After this most of the play was in the Hockey Club's territory, until, at a critical moment, De Casanova transferred the puck to Townsend, who made a brilliant run, which culminated in a goal. No further scoring.

The line-up and summary:

| New York A. C. | Position. | New York H. C. |
|---|---|---|
| Russell | Goal | O'Donnell |
| Fenwick | Cover Point | B. Phillips |
| Pope | Point | Lechie |
| Lynch | Forward | Hunt |
| Spalding | Forward. | S. Phillips |
| Bogert | Forward | De Casanova |
| Fry | Forward | Townsend |

Score—New York A. C., 2. New York H. C., 2.

Referee—C. M. Pope.

Goals—Hunt, Spalding, Lynch and Townsend.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. ST. NICHOLAS S. C.

Well-matched teams and intense rivalry rendered the league game of hockey between the New York A. C. and the St. Nicholas Skating Club teams a rare treat for the spectators who filled the St. Nicholas Rink on January 30th.

The New York "rooters" were out in force, and every goal scored by the Mercury Foot players was emphasized by a hearty club cheer.

The cool manner in which Captain Fenwick met the onslaught of the St. Nicholas forwards and the invariable precision with which he lifted the puck out of danger elicited frequent applause. The dashing runs of Fry and Lynch were also among the individual features of the New York team's play.

Although apparently not quite versed in the fine points of the game, the St. Nicholas players excelled at times. The passing of their forwards, especially in the second half, was magnificent, while Crowinshield played a fast though reckless game, and Chace made some great runs toward the end of the struggle.

The St. Nicholas forwards got possession of the puck on the face-off and gradually worked it down to Lynch, who prettily manipulated it until far into the opposition territory. It was not long before Lynch had again to meet the St. Nicholas forwards; this time he passed to Fenwick, who carried the puck the whole length of the ice; here Fry took possession and passed out from the corner of the rink to Wonham, who scored the first goal after about five minutes' play.

After considerable off-side play, Crowinshield made a pretty run and got safely past cover and point. Macrae, however, beautifully stopped the shot for goal. A few seconds later the puck was sent hurling behind the St. Nicholas' goal posts and neatly passed out to Cameron, who sent it through for the second goal. Two more fine runs by Lynch were made without result; then Crowinshield again took the puck into New York territory, where three ineffectual shots were made at the goal before the referee's whistle ended the half, the score standing New York A. C., 2; St. Nicholas S. C., 0.

The second half opened with long shots on both sides, varied by a pretty run by Chace; then Wonham's dashing play resulted in a third goal being made by Fry on a pass from the right-hand corner.

After this the St. Nicholas team played a desperate game, Crowinshield especially playing in a manner that, to say the least, was more forcible than polite. He crashed into Lynch, and landed that player on the ice; then, after a melee in the centre of the rink, the St. Nicholas players got the puck, rushed it down to the New Yorks end. Larned's shot for goal really went outside the posts, but the umpire called it a goal. Score, New York A. C., 3; St. Nicholas, 1.

Both sides then made unsuccessful attempts at scoring before Chace got possession of the puck, and cleverly eluding Fenwick and Lynch, passed to Barron, who shot a clean goal.

Fast, clever work by both teams wound up the game, but no further score resulted.

The line-up and summary:

| New York A. C. | Position. | St. Nicholas S. C. |
|---|---|---|
| Macrae | Goal | Hewitt |
| Fenwick | Point | Wrenn |
| Lynch | Cover Point | Slocum |
| Bogert | Forward | Barron |
| Frey | Forward | Larned |
| Cameron | Forward | Chace |
| Wonham | Forward | Crowinshield |

Score—New York A. C., 3. St. Nicholas S. C., 2.

Referee—S. Phillips, New York H. C.

Umpires—C. J. Post, Jr., and H. Drakely.

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N. Y. A. C. 2d TEAM VS. ST. AUSTIN'S SCHOOL.

The second team of the New York A. C. played an interesting game with the lads from St. Austin's School at the St. Nicholas Rink on January 8th. Although the schoolboys failed to score, the game was full of exciting periods, the New York's goal being frequently in danger.

Victory finally rested with the New York A. C. team by a score of 2 to 0.

The line-up and summary:

| N. Y. A. C. Second Team. | Position. | St. Austin's School |
|---|---|---|
| Kerwin | Goal | Scofield / Dearborn |
| A. Pope (Captain) | Point | Scott |
| Dobbin | Cover Point | Lindsay / Taylor |
| Cassells | Forward | Bonner |
| Smyth | Forward | R. F. Pope |
| Radcliffe | Forward | (Captain) Lawrence |
| Tomlinson | Forward | Wall |

Score—New York A. C. 2d 2. St. Austin's School, 0.

Referee—J. Fenwick, New York A. C.

Umpires—For New York A. C., Keane; for St. Austin's School, Snyder.

Goals—Smyth (2).

## THE ANNUAL ELECTION.

THE election passed off very quietly and pleasantly this year, and the scenes around the clubhouse were in strange contrast to the exciting times at previous elections. Good-humored badinage took the place of the usual fierce arguments, and members who were button-holed at all were led to the cafe instead of the ballot boxes. The poll resulted as follows:

President, James Whitely, 202; vice-president, Thomas L. Watson, 204; secretary, John C. Gulick, 179; treasurer, Charles E. Goodhue, 204; captain, Bartow S. Weeks, 198.

Governors for Two Years—Charles T. Wills, 204; Howard P. Frothingham, 203; W. D. Searls, 205; Albert E. Colfax, 205; Louis H. Orr, 177; Edward W. Kearney, 193; Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, 189; F. M. Hausling, 190.

Governor for One Year—James H. Haslin, 199.

The following gentlemen acted as inspectors: H. E. Buermeyer, chairman; John H. Griessel, C. V. Hoffman, Samuel Stewart, George M. Breck, W. R. Wheeler, Waldo Sprague, John E. Domschke, Jr., M. W. Bronson.

The following amendments to the Constitution were passed at the annual meeting on January 12th:

Amend Article III., Section 10, Paragraph 1 as follows:

"A resident within the meaning of this article is one who resides within a radius of thirty (30) miles from the city clubhouse, or who remains in such territory three (3) consecutive months in each calendar year."

Add Section 20 to Article III. as follows:

"Any resident member intending to be absent from the United States for a period of one year or more may continue his membership in the club without payment of dues accruing during such absence upon obtaining the consent of the Board of Governors."

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## CHESS TOURNAMENT.

A HANDICAP chess tournament will be held in the clubhouse during the month of February, and prizes will be awarded to the players winning the highest and next to the highest number of games. The handicaps will be arranged by a committee composed of Messrs. Tyson, Fistare and Petersen. Entries, which will close February 6th, are requested.



ONCE more we doff our hats to the winged foot bowlers, who, after a run of adversity, have eclipsed all their previous brilliant performances by rolling the best game ever put up by an amateur team and tying the grand record of 1,041, made by the Orchard team.

The big game was rolled in the Harlem Republican League Tournament on January 18th. Only three breaks were made in the entire game, and two of these were on bridges resulting from strike balls. Jim Carter took the principal honors, with the high score of 245.

A large number of rooters witnessed the Athletic League series with the Roseville A. A., on the home alleys on January 20th. It was, perhaps, due to the encouragement given the team that they captured the deciding game of the rubber after the Rosevilles had won the second game by more than 150 pins.

Two out of three games were won from Montclair on January 28th, followed by a jump into third place on February 1st, when the Jersey City A. C was beaten in three straight games.

It is with deep grief we chronicle the disgraceful fact that the Lobsters so far forgot themselves as to win their return match with the Agate Bowling Club in three straight games. Matt Halpin, however, did all in his power to avert the catastrophe by rolling under 120 in two of the games, while Breck was the chief offender with a score of 194

The scores:

## ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

NEW YORK A. C. vs. ELIZABETH A. C., AT ELIZABETH, JANUARY 4TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 1st. | 2d | 3d |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bell | 202 | 148 | 147 |
| More | 186 | 141 | 151 |
| Wilmarth | 147 | 108 | 158 |
| Shaw | 189 | 157 | 169 |
| Toussaint | 156 | 138 | 171 |
| Total | 880 | 692 | 796 |

| ELIZABETH A. C. | 1st. | 2d | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Davis | 172 | 189 | 161 |
| Chamberlain | 172 | 168 | 135 |
| Pope | 204 | 190 | 125 |
| Lane | 135 | 220 | 215 |
| Dimock | 200 | 232 | 172 |
| Total | 883 | 999 | 808 |

NEW YORK A. C. vs. ROSEVILLE A. A., AT NEW YORK, JANUARY 13TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 199 | 161 | 192 |
| Cowperthw't. | 188 | 145 | 187 |
| Toussaint | 131 | 156 | 172 |
| Brown. | 197 | 133 | 182 |
| Clute. | 133 | 153 | 155 |
| Total | 848 | 748 | 888 |

| ROSEVILLE A. A. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pierson | 179 | 228 | 158 |
| Thompson | 164 | 138 | 170 |
| Badger | 157 | 186 | 159 |
| Wood. | 178 | 164 | 183 |
| Van Ness | 147 | 181 | 194 |
| Total | 825 | 897 | 864 |

NEW YORK A. C. vs. ORANGE A. C., AT ORANGE, JANUARY 20TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 1st | 2d | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 131 | 174 | 192 |
| Bell | 195 | 164 | 171 |
| Toussaint | 181 | 159 | 159 |
| Shaw | 183 | 189 | 170 |
| Brown | 123 | 146 | 149 |
| Total | 813 | 832 | 841 |

| ORANGE A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d |
|---|---|---|---|
| Shepard | 152 | 170 | 150 |
| Babcock | 162 | 192 | 145 |
| Irving | 168 | 172 | 184 |
| Wright | 155 | 149 | 151 |
| Stone | 145 | 158 | 180 |
| Total | 782 | 841 | 810 |

NEW YORK A. C. vs. MONTCLAIR A. C., AT NEW YORK A. C. ALLEYS, JANUARY 28TH.

FIRST GAME.

| NEW YORK A. C. | |
|---|---|
| Carter | 158 |
| Bell | 164 |
| Toussaint | 129 |
| Shaw | 179 |
| Cowperthwait | 156 |
| Total | 786 |

| MONTCLAIR A. C. | |
|---|---|
| Thomson | 137 |
| Lockwood | 145 |
| Hornfeck | 173 |
| Croker | 158 |
| Snyder | 193 |
| Total | 806 |

SECOND AND THIRD GAMES.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|
| Carter | 179 | 194 |
| Bell | 158 | 137 |
| Brown | 190 | 199 |
| Shaw | 169 | 162 |
| Cowperthwait | 179 | 155 |
| Total | 875 | 847 |

| MONTCLAIR A. C. | 2d. | 3d |
|---|---|---|
| Thomson | 160 | 162 |
| Lockwood | 124 | 153 |
| Hornfeck | 187 | 179 |
| Croker | 176 | 161 |
| Snyder | 191 | 137 |
| Total | 838 | 812 |

NEW YORK A. C. vs. JERSEY CITY A. C., ON NEW YORK A. C. ALLEYS, FEBRUARY 1ST.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 187 | 160 | 180 |
| Bell | 159 | 149 | 179 |
| Brown | 200 | 182 | 182 |
| Shaw | 169 | 182 | 189 |
| Cowperthw't. | 157 | 175 | 168 |
| Total | 872 | 848 | 898 |

| JERSEY CITY A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Holmes | 136 | 133 | 135 |
| Glass | 118 | 168 | 202 |
| Lembeck | 157 | 127 | 143 |
| Cordner | 141 | 156 | 158 |
| Meyer | 183 | 170 | 145 |
| Total | 735 | 754 | 783 |

STANDING OF THE CLUBS, FEB. 4, 1897.

| | Won. | Lost. | High Score. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rosev'e A. A. | 21 | 15 | 985 |
| N. Y. A. C. | 18 | 15 | 913 |
| Jersey City | 18 | 15 | 915 |
| North End | 17 | 16 | 919 |
| Columbia | 17 | 16 | 976 |
| Elizabeth A. C. | 17 | 16 | 999 |
| Orange A. C. | 13 | 14 | 895 |
| Montclair | 10 | 23 | 893 |

HARLEM REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

NEW YORK A. C. vs. NEW YORK B. C., JANUARY 18TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | | NEW YORK B. C. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 124 | Schwartz | 152 |
| Bell | 159 | Toussaint | 170 |
| Brown | 154 | Livingston | 137 |
| Shaw | 142 | Entrup | 196 |
| Cowperthwait | 149 | Meyer | 181 |
| Total | 728 | Total | 836 |

NEW YORK A. C. vs. LOTUS NO. 2, JANUARY 18TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | | LOTUS NO. 2. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 245 | Lamb | 148 |
| Bell | 206 | Page | 160 |
| Brown | 222 | Swords | 141 |
| Shaw | 184 | Church | 128 |
| Toussaint | 184 | Munsie | 151 |
| Total | 1041 | Total | 728 |

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

| | Won. | Lost. | High Score. | | Won. | Lost. | High Score. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| N. Y. A. C. | 8 | 2 | 1041 | Mercury | 5 | 5 | 841 |
| N. Y. B. C. | 8 | 2 | 883 | Cherry D'ds | 3 | 5 | 881 |
| Kismet | 8 | 2 | 873 | Columbus 2 | 5 | 9 | 796 |
| Phœnix 1 | 6 | 2 | 935 | Knick. B. C. | 4 | 8 | 939 |
| Puritan | 7 | 3 | 937 | Lotus 2 | 4 | 8 | 876 |
| Windsor | 7 | 3 | 896 | Columbus 1 | 2 | 4 | 896 |
| Phœnix 2 | 7 | 3 | 890 | Knick. A. C. | 3 | 7 | 820 |
| Standard | 4 | 2 | 941 | Bachelor | 1 | 7 | 800 |
| Lotus 1 | 5 | 5 | 903 | Lincoln | 1 | 11 | 771 |
| Madison | 5 | 5 | 873 | | | | |

LOBSTERS VS. AGATE B. C., ON NEW YORK A. C. ALLEYS, JANUARY 22D.

| LOBSTERS. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d | AGATE B. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lyons | 168 | 136 | 159 | Hatten | 125 | 144 | 112 |
| Breck | 130 | 143 | 194 | Freeman | 111 | 114 | 126 |
| Carter | 125 | 132 | 158 | Hutton | 88 | 123 | 130 |
| Halpin | 118 | 142 | 116 | Ehlers | 163 | 152 | 147 |
| Ames | 154 | 162 | 141 | Campbell | 143 | 169 | 113 |
| Total | 695 | 715 | 768 | Total | 630 | 702 | 628 |

## A WISE SELECTION.

OUR team of bowlers were the winners of the first prize in the competition of the Athletic Bowling League for the season of 1895–96. That prize has not been delivered, and its selection has by the League been left to our winning team.

With rare good judgment the team have determined to select a picture to adorn the walls of the drawing-room of the new clubhouse the frame being appropriately inscribed to indicate that it is the prize won by the bowling team of the New York Athletic Club.

A number of pictures have been seen, and the Committee on Bowling have selected one which has received universal praise.

It is to be hoped that this picture, as a beginning, will induce the Committee on Art to procure and hang upon the clubhouse walls, by contribution or purchase, selected paintings of merit.

It is believed that an appeal for such purpose to the members of moderate and continuous contributions would result in a fund which would enable the committee to beautify the club and make the parlor of the new house almost an art gallery.

## HAND TENNIS.

D. C. WATTS was victorious in the final series of the Hand Tennis Tournament. The scores:

SEMI-FINAL ROUND.

F. L. Donohue vs. G. M. Boynton.

First Game.

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Donohue | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 8 | —25 |
| Boynton | 9 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | —19 |

Second Game.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Donohue | 1 | 1 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | —25 |
| Boynton | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | — 8 |

D. C. Watts defeated S. T. Shaw.

First Game.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Watts | 0 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | —25 |
| Shaw | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | — 6 |

Second Game.

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Watts | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3—25 |
| Shaw | 0 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | x—23 |

First Game.

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Watts | 8 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 1 | —25 |
| Donohue | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 1 | —18 |

Second Game.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Watts | 7 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 | —25 |
| Donohue | 2 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 2 | x | —16 |

Third Game.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Watts | 0 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 11 | —25 | | |
| Donohue | 6 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | x | — 9 | | |

FINAL SERIES.

D. C. Watts defeated F. L. Donohue.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

HOUSE COMMITTEE.

Thomas L. Watson, chairman; Walter S. Baldwin, James H. Haslin, Douglas Henry, Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, Albert E. Colfax, James D. Foot, Dr. B. F. O'Connor.

ATHLETIC.

Walter S. Baldwin, chairman; James Whitely, Thomas L. Watson, Bartow S. Weeks, John C. Gulick, Dr. B. F. O'Connor, Robert W. Winthrop.

ADMISSIONS.

James H. Haslin, chairman; Howard P. Frothingham, Dr. Seneca D. Powell.

OFFICE AND AUDITING.

Douglas Henry, chairman; W. D. Searls, Louis H. Orr.

RESTAURANT.

Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, chairman; James D. Foot, Howard P. Frothingham.

BILLIARDS AND BOWLING.

Albert E. Colfax, chairman; James A. Lynch, Frederick M. Hausling.

BATHS.

James D. Foot, chairman; Edward W. Kearney, Charles T. Wills.

ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT.

Dr. B. F. O'Connor, chairman; Frederick M. Hausling, Charles T. Wills.

ENTERTAINMENT.

Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, chairman; Walter S. Baldwin, Charles L. Burnham.

ART.

Thomas E. Kirby, chairman; Samuel T. Shaw, Charles C. Curran.

LEGISLATION.

James A. Lynch, chairman; John C. Gulick, Thomas F. Murtha.

LIBRARY.

John C. Gulick, chairman; B. C. Williams, Hugh H. Baxter.

BICYCLING.

Dr. Seneca D. Powell, chairman; John C. Gulick, Douglas Henry.

LAWN TENNIS.

Ralph Hickox, chairman; W. K. Gillett, O. G. Smith.

ROWING.

W. H. Pinckney, chairman; E. J. Keane, R. P. Walden.

FENCING.

Charles E. Goodhue, chairman; S. T. Shaw, Dr. G. M. Hammond, R. O. Haubold, C. C. Curran.

CROSS-COUNTRY.

Mortimer Bishop, chairman; Edward C. Carter, Edwin J. Keane.

| FIRST LIEUTENANT. | SECOND LIEUTENANT. | HANDICAPPER. |
|---|---|---|
| George Schwegler. | Edwin J. Keane. | Benjamin C. Williams. |

## A SUCCESSFUL SEASON.

THE report of Captain Bartow S. Weeks of the prizes won by the club athletes during the year 1896 shows that the New York A. C representatives have had a phenomenally successful year in track, field and aquatic sports.

The honors are about equally divided between the athletes and cyclists, for though Ray Dawson heads the list with a total of 185 points, the incomparable sprinter, B. J. Wefers, is a close second with 171 points, and is credited with six more first prizes than the cyclist. Considering how many more opportunities there are for wheelmen to race, the showing made by Wefers is a grand one Scarcely less brilliant is the season's work of C. H Kilpatrick. He has scored 106 points in middle distance races. Irwin A. Powell, who is fourth on the list with 92 points, would probably have been further up but for the unfortunate accident which rendered him hors de combat early in the season. The other points scored are: H. M. Stivers, 88; H. S. Lyons, 54; Geo. E. Ruppert, 48; M. P. Halpin, 41; E. B. Bloss, 37; R. Garrett, 33; H. K. Bird, 33; W. S. Hipple, 30; J. J. Quinlin, 29; J. F. Cregan, 27; K. McCrae, 27; A. B. Dalby, 26; J. W. Gray, 25; L. P. Sheldon, 24; G. W Orton, 22; F. A. Wenck, 22; R. Sheldon, 19; J. R. Barrett, 19; S. K. Girard, 17; T. R. Fisher, 16; P. F. Dickey, 16; P. L. Howard, 15; R. H. Crawford, 15; G. Sands, 14; N. Murray, 14; G. B. Underhill, 14; F. P Garvin, 13; C. G. Bothner, 12; S. Chase, 12; C. Chadwick, 11; W. E. Bottger, 11; G. G. Winship, 11; C. T. Van Winkle, 11; F. W. Allis, 10; G. Kavanaugh, 10; A. P. Schwaner, 9; R. Derr, 8; G. R. Gray, 8; A. M. Remington, 6; S. A. W. Baltazzi, 6; R. T. Lyons, 6; F. V. Dobbins, 6; W. H. Pinckney, 5; E. J. Keane, 5; F. W. Howard, 5; J. R. Crawford, 5; W. W. Griffith, 5; G. Kollstede, 5; G. E. Grant, 5; E. Crawford, 5; T. E. Tomlinson, 5; A. G. Fry, 5; S. M. Seaman, 5; D. G. Smyth, 5; B. Weiman, 5; L. Fitzgerald, Jr., 5; C. T Kingsley, 5; Dr. J. M. Davis, 4; H. P Cross, 4; R. G. Paulding, 4; W. T. Heintz, 3; A. R. Pope, 3; G. D. Phillips, 3; L. Cooper, 1; A. Brown, 1.



IRWIN A. POWELL



BERNARD J. WEFERS



C·H·KILPATRICK



RAY DAWSON

# General Athletics

## Natatorium

THE Athletic Committee has arranged a series of competitions to take place in the natatorium during the winter. The events are divided into two classes—scratch, for the club championship, and handicap for the encouragement of novices. The following are the particulars:

Three competitions in each series. Winners to be determined by aggregate of points in each series, points to be counted as follows: First place, 5 points; second place, 3 points; third place, 1 point.

Scratch Series for Club Championship—100 yards, diving for distance (plunging), 300 yards. February 13th, March 13th and April 3d.

Handicap Series—Five lengths of tank, 110 yards; ten lengths of tank, 220 yards. February 25th, March 25th, April 10th.

In addition to above a scratch race (100 yards) for junior members for a special prize will be held on February 13th, March 13th and April 3d. Same rules to govern.

Races will start at eight o'clock sharp. Three handsome prizes in each series.

Prizes will be on exhibition by February 10th.

Entries must be made for scratch events not later than February 10, 1897, and for handicap events not later than February 20, 1897.

Send entries to F. J. Wells, W. C. Thomson, Dr. J. M. Davis, Swimming Committee.

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THE Boxing Entertainment on February 20th will have as a special attraction the bout between Frank Erne, of Buffalo, and Martin Flaherty, of Lowell, Mass. These two featherweights rank among the foremost scientific boxers of their class and will doubtless draw a large crowd to the gymnasium. The other bouts arranged will be fully up to the standard required at the N. Y. A. C. entertainments.

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AN interesting illustrated article on the wheelmen of the New York Athletic Club appeared in the New York *Press* of January 17. Among the pictures was an excellent sketch of Secretary John C. Gulick, which we reproduce.



JOHN C. GULICK,
Secretary New York Athletic Club.

# CLUB CURRENTS

THERE is an opportunity offered just now to secure membership in our club which will not long be open. The committee of the club has taken the matter in hand, and if its plan is successful there will soon be a waiting list.

The satisfactory condition and progress of the new clubhouse building will be a strong incentive to an increased membership.

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IN spite of a generous expenditure the recent minstrel show netted a profit of nearly fifteen hundred dollars.

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THE Christmas Fund this year amounted to $4,394, eclipsing all previous collections, and was distributed, as usual, among the employees of the club by the House Committee.

The New Year's display at the City Clubhouse was fully up to the average.

The chief features of the spread, edible and otherwise, were "The Horn of Plenty," a pretty conception; velliere of game, natural; "The Triumph of Mercury," a classic and succulent figure on a pedestal, surrounded by suitable sporting emblems; gallantine of turkey and capon, game pattie perigardine, cascade of lobster, a very striking effect, reminding one of a spare moment in the bowling alley; salmon royal, and an "Epicure Fountain." The last conceit represented a Swiss chalet and grounds. Consomme ad libitum was stored away within the cottage, and by an ingenious arrangement of pipes found its way through the fountain into the plates of the guests.




N. Y. A. C. NEW YEAR'S TABLE.
(From the Caterer)

## NEW MEMBERS.

AT the special meeting of the Board of Governors held February 1st the following gentlemen were elected to membership:

E. A. Dillenbeck, Fred'k G. Zinsser, William Pfarrius, Theo. Pembrook, C. E. Hawley, C L. Ripley, Chas. M Tompkins, Fitzgerald Peploe, J. de Courcy Ireland, Augustus F. Ireland, Wm. Sirt Patrick, John L. Adams, F. W. Frischen, Jr., W. G. McKinley, Wm. I. Ticknor, Chas. A. Deshon, H E. Twining, Eugene Durnin, S. Marsh Young, S. W. Bridgham, Geo Edw Hoffmaster, Thomas D. Jordan, Lawrence E. Brown, Chas E. Abbott, Clarence M. Roof, Philip T. Grandin, James F. Andrews, Robert C Mitchell, Walter G. Murphy, Rupert A. Ryley, Geo. F. Ahrens, J. B. Patton, H. E. Maslin, Geo. T. Audley.

## YACHTING NOTICE.

ALL members requiring racing numbers for the coming season in the Yacht Racing Union of Long Island Sound are requested to send to M. W. Bronson, Chairman Yachting Committee, the name of boat, address of owner, rig, 1896 racing length, cabin or open.

THE annual wheelmen's dinner will be held at the City Clubhouse on February 18th, at 7 p. m. Members who wish to be present are requested to notify the Bicycle Committee.

THE oarsmen will have their annual "Razoo" on February 20th, when the crew dinner will take place at Travers Island. Only those who have served a term (in a boat) will be invited to attend.

THE members of the club have responded liberally in their subscriptions to the second mortgage bonds, and there is now remaining unsold less than $9,000 of these securities. It is hoped the balance of these bonds will be promptly taken.

ONE of the attractions at the Ladies' Day on March 6th will be the famous child dancer "Little Ruby." Though a little over six years old, "Little Ruby" has been before the public for nearly three years, and dances as well as many an old and trained *danseuse*.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. A. G. Mills spent the latter part of January in the Adirondacks, where he is largely interested in the Adirondack League Club. As former president of the club and acquainted with its needs, as well as a man of experience in construction of large buildings, he has been of valuable assistance on the Building and Finance Committee.

Mr. Le Roy Taylor left San Francisco on January 4th for a trip around the world.

Mr. A. W. Smith carried the winged foot to victory in the 220-yard hurdle handicap at the Fourteenth Regiment games.

Dr. Seneca D. Powell was elected president of the State Medical Society at a meeting held at Albany on Thursday, January 28th.

General Horace Porter, grand marshal of the inauguration parade at Washington, has tendered to General Thomas L. Watson a position on his staff for the inauguration ceremonies. This honor General Watson has been forced by business engagements to decline.

Milton Whitely, son of our president, has shown marked ability on the amateur theatrical stage. His services have been enlisted for the leading part in a piece staged by Berkeley School this month.

Mr. George Andreæ cause dsome fun at the election by an effort to repeat. He was promptly hauled before Inspector of Polls Buermeyer and escaped with a warning.

Mr. D. I. Bradley tied for third prize in the Handicap Live Bird Sweepstakes at Elkwood Park on January 21st, killing twenty-one birds out of a po sible twenty-five.

Mr. Walter G. Schuyler has been elected president of the newly formed Military Athletic Association.

## OBITUARY.

Mr. J. G. Gilpatrick died January 26th.

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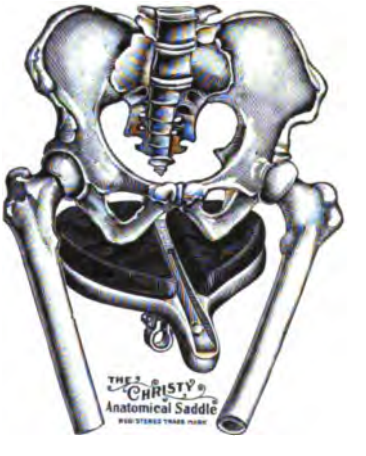
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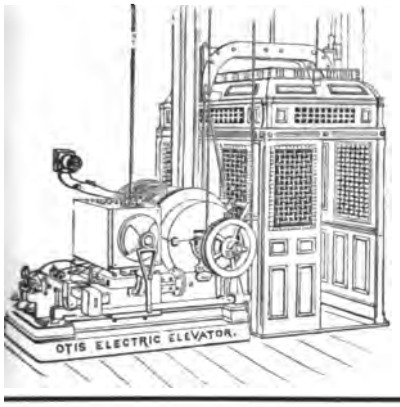
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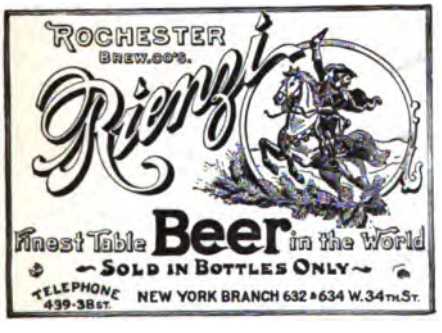
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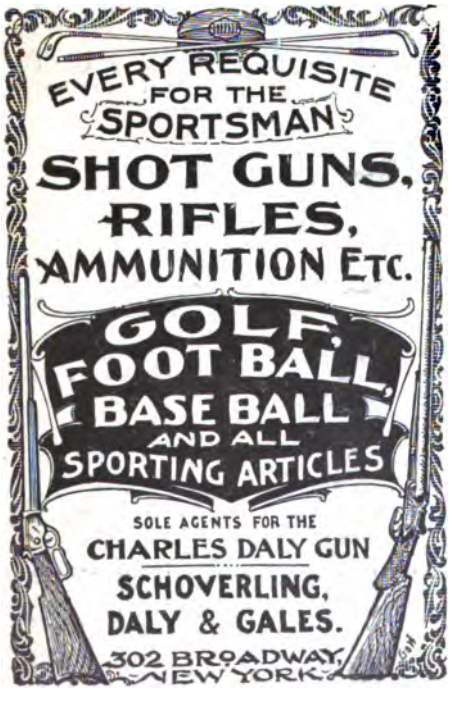
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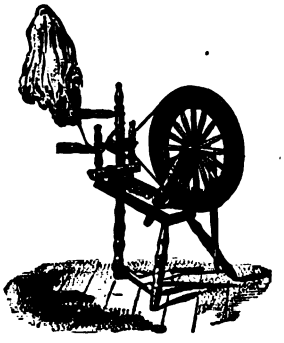
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## NOTICE.

ANY member of the club who has failed to receive the JOURNAL regularly will confer a favor by notifying the Journal Committee.

## FOR A DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE Entertainment Committee is making every effort to place the dramatic portion of the club on a sound and business-like basis. Heretofore no permanent organization has been attempted, and each succeeding year the task of gathering together the scattered talent for our annual shows has devolved upon a new committee, rendering the work more difficult, and the result always uncertain.

Invariably it was discovered at the last moment that some particularly talented member has hidden his light under a bushel until too late to take part in the entertainment. This evil the Dramatic Club within our ranks proposes to remedy. It will naturally draw together all those interested in theatricals from any standpoint, whose constant duty and pleasure it will be to cater to the club by devising and perfecting schemes for the amusement and edification of the members.

Under the able direction of Dr. Burch, the volunteer entertainments given in the club have introduced some clever performers, who, if properly organized, may be depended upon to place upon the boards entertainments superior to any given in the past. The first step toward the formation of a permanent organization was the adoption of the following resolution by the Entertainment Committee:

Resolved, That the Board of Governors be requested to approve of a plan for the formation of a Dramatic Club, and that the details of the matter be referred to the Entertainment Committee with the understanding that when the arrangements are completed, the whole subject will be presented to the Board of Governors for confirmation.

## NEW COMMITTEES.

SINCE the last issue of the JOURNAL the following sub-committees have been appointed:

Travers Island—James D. Foot, chairman; Hugh H. Baxter, Jennings S. Cox, C. E. Knoblauch, Luther Loomis.

Yachting—M. W. Bronson, chairman; Dr. Henry Griswold, W. H. Pinckney.

Shooting—James D. Foot, chairman; Dr. S. M. Nash, Daniel I. Bradley.

Swimming—F. J. Wells, chairman; W. C. Thomson, Dr. J. M. Davis.

THE *Sporting Life* (London, England), of February 1, devotes half a column to a resume of the annual reports of the New York A. C

The figures, which are given in English money, must prove astounding to the citizens of the old country, where the dues of the largest and most influential athletic club in the country are only $5 a year.

## BOWLING.

AFTER a magnificent struggle for a prominent position in the Athletic League series, all hope of absolute victory was destroyed when the goal seemed within easy reach. When the team met the Jersey City A. C., on March 1st, they only required to win that series and the series with Orange A. C., on March 3d, to carry off premier honors.

Although our boys were keyed up for the occasion and bowled three good games, fate was against them. The Jersey City team bowled better than at any previous time during the tournament, and won three straight games, thus extinguishing all chance of the New Yorks winning first place, but allowing them to tie for second position.

The team are still tied for first place in the Harlem Republican League, with an excellent chance of winning consolation honors.

The qualifying games for the club championship were rolled last month, resulting in a few surprises, notably the failure of M. E. More, J. H. Bell, and F. M. Clute to qualify, and the qualifying scores of "Lobsters" Breck, Ames, and Stewart. The championship should be concluded this month.

The "Lobsters" kept up their winning gait by defeating the Una Bowling Club, two games out of three, on February 24th.

The scores:

### ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. NORTH END, ON NEW YORK A. C. ALLEYS, FEBRUARY 3D.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | NORTH END. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 201 | 158 | 139 | Cadiz | 174 | 160 | 198 |
| Toussaint | 212 | 123 | 191 | Lewis | 110 | 119 | 147 |
| Brown | 135 | 162 | 169 | Coutrell | 145 | 155 | 176 |
| Shaw | 161 | 143 | 162 | Castle | 170 | 131 | 183 |
| Cowperthw't | 159 | 188 | 148 | Olozaga | 165 | 203 | 165 |
| Total | 868 | 774 | 809 | Total | 764 | 768 | 869 |

NEW YORK A. C. VS. COLUMBIA B. C., ON NEW YORK A. C. ALLEYS, FEBRUARY 10 H.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | COLUMBIA. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 157 | 177 | 158 | Storm | 181 | 177 | 168 |
| Bell | 161 | 150 | 164 | Jaeger | 138 | 167 | 155 |
| Brown | 147 | 179 | 157 | Kimball | 143 | 192 | 159 |
| Shaw | 136 | 189 | 171 | Keller | 168 | 177 | 152 |
| Cowperthw't | 200 | 205 | 196 | Leuly | 183 | 171 | 186 |
| Total | 801 | 900 | 846 | Total | 813 | 884 | 820 |

NEW YORK A. C. VS. NORTH END ON NEW YORK A. C. ALLEYS, FEBRUARY 3D.

| NEW YORK A. C. | | NORTH END. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 201 | Cadiz | 174 |
| Toussaint | 212 | Lewis | 110 |
| Brown | 135 | Coutrell | 145 |
| Shaw | 161 | Castle | 170 |
| Cowperthwait | 159 | Olozaga | 165 |
| Total | 863 | Total | 764 |

NEW YORK A. C. VS. JERSEY CITY A. C., ON JERSEY CITY ALLEYS, MARCH 1ST.

| NEW YORK A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | JERSEY CITY A. C. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 170 | 199 | 159 | Newkirk | 144 | 162 | 191 |
| Bell | 175 | 146 | 156 | Starrett | 182 | 171 | 162 |
| Brown | 157 | 190 | 158 | Brown | 173 | 211 | 171 |
| Shaw | 130 | 171 | 193 | Cordner | 188 | 203 | 187 |
| Cowperthw't | 175 | 191 | 168 | Meyer | 176 | 173 | 170 |
| Total | 807 | 897 | 834 | Total | 863 | 920 | 881 |

STANDING OF THE CLUBS, MARCH 4, 1897.

| | Won. | Lost. | High Score. | | Won. | Lost. | High Score. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rosev'e A. A. | 25 | 17 | 985 | Columbia | 22 | 20 | 976 |
| N. Y. A. C. | 23 | 19 | 913 | Jersey City | 22 | 20 | 920 |
| Elizabeth A. C. | 23 | 19 | 999 | Orange A. C. | 16 | 26 | 895 |
| North End | 23 | 19 | 919 | Montclair | 14 | 28 | 893 |

### HARLEM REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. CHERRY DIAMOND B. C., FEBRUARY 8TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | | CHERRY DIAMOND B. C. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 179 | Gordon | 180 |
| Bell | 168 | Gaylord | 164 |
| Brown | 206 | Headley | 158 |
| Shaw | 172 | Sullivan | 134 |
| Cowperthwait | 219 | Sage | 152 |
| Total | 944 | Total | 788 |

NEW YORK A. C. VS. PHŒNIX 2, FEBRUARY 8TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | | PHŒNIX 2. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 181 | McLean | 183 |
| Bell | 156 | Bolrath | 153 |
| Brown | 162 | Buckbee | 127 |
| Shaw | 173 | Hamilton | 209 |
| Cowperthwait | 151 | Schaeffer | 211 |
| Total | 823 | Total | 883 |

NEW YORK A. C. VS. COLUMBUS 2, FEBRUARY 19TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | | COLUMBUS 2. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 162 | Reilly | 173 |
| Bell | 176 | Rhomoser | 143 |
| Brown | 184 | Warner | 168 |
| Shaw | 181 | Shubert | 155 |
| Cowperthwait | 192 | Holsten | 169 |
| Total | 895 | Total | 808 |

NEW YORK A. C. VS. PURITAN, FEBRUARY 19TH.

| NEW YORK A. C. | | PURITAN. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 155 | Tolley | 166 |
| Bell | 177 | Proud | 139 |
| Brown | 160 | Eagleson | 139 |
| Shaw | 164 | Kraft | 158 |
| Cowperthwait | 183 | Hamman | 179 |
| Total | 839 | Total | 781 |

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

| | Won. | Lost. | High Score. | | Won. | Lost. | High Score. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| N. Y. A. C. | 11 | 3 | 1041 | Cherry D'ds | 5 | 7 | 881 |
| N. Y. B. C. | 11 | 3 | 905 | Mercury | 5 | 7 | 841 |
| Windsor | 9 | 3 | 896 | Columbus 1 | 4 | 6 | 896 |
| Phœnix 2 | 11 | 5 | 890 | Lotus 2 | 6 | 10 | 876 |
| Standard | 8 | 4 | 941 | Columbus 2 | 5 | 11 | 808 |
| Phœnix 1 | 8 | 4 | 935 | Knick. B. C. | 4 | 10 | 939 |
| Puritan | 9 | 5 | 937 | Knick. A. C. | 3 | 9 | 820 |
| Kismet | 9 | 5 | 873 | Bachelor | 2 | 12 | 800 |
| Lotus 1 | 7 | 5 | 903 | Lincoln | 1 | 11 | 771 |
| Madison | 8 | 6 | 873 | | | | |

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.

| | QUALIFIED. | | | | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| H. E. Toussaint | 227 | 178 | 190 | 156 | 182 | —933 |
| P. G. Wilmarth | 195 | 159 | 187 | 177 | 163 | —881 |
| F. Vilmar | 171 | 156 | 172 | 195 | 159 | —853 |
| J. W. Carter | 181 | 178 | 151 | 166 | 176 | —852 |
| V. T. Pelin | 184 | 161 | 147 | 220 | 136 | —847 |
| G. M. Breck | 163 | 130 | 183 | 188 | 171 | —835 |
| M. Cowperthwait | 187 | 163 | 174 | 155 | 163 | —832 |
| W. F. Shaw | 201 | 173 | 176 | 145 | 126 | —821 |
| L. Legien | 168 | 157 | 188 | 149 | 153 | —815 |
| S. Stewart | 178 | 132 | 151 | 173 | 180 | —814 |
| H. P. Brown | 162 | 157 | 160 | 185 | 144 | —808 |
| F. D. Ames | 145 | 185 | 157 | 172 | 143 | —802 |
| | FAILED TO QUALIFY. | | | | | Total |
| M. E. More | 169 | 142 | 152 | 191 | 133 | —787 |
| R. Hickox | 138 | 159 | 175 | 159 | 154 | —785 |
| J. H. Bell | 173 | 170 | 150 | 169 | 115 | —777 |
| J. A. Booth | 140 | 169 | 169 | 147 | 140 | —765 |
| C. H. Harriot | 142 | 140 | 166 | 212 | 104 | —764 |
| M. P. Halpin | 146 | 172 | 125 | 165 | 140 | —748 |
| R. T. Lyons | 161 | 130 | 160 | 145 | 145 | —741 |
| E. C. Carter | 157 | 118 | 149 | 162 | 149 | —735 |
| W. M. Moore | 191 | 133 | 138 | 138 | 102 | —707 |
| F. M. Clute | 134 | 156 | 148 | 133 | * | —571 |
| R. Stoll | 107 | 120 | 145 | 113 | * | —485 |
| W. E. Schaffner | 105 | 125 | 173 | * | | —403 |

*Unfinished.

## ROWING.

A GLANCE at the rowing prospects for the coming season does not present quite such an encouraging outlook as might have been expected by the brilliant work done last year. That inexorable force which shapes and alters destinies has played havoc with the champion eight that otherwise should have been in the van in senior races this year. At the time of going to press, it is almost certain that Griffiths, Dobbins, Kollstede, Grant and Fry, who had seats in the winning crew, will be unable to take their places again. It is possible that Keane and Crawford, of the famous four, may be induced to row in the eight, but even then three vacancies remain to be filled before the boat can be put in the water. Should the efforts to get a senior crew together prove successful they will have the advantage of a new cedar boat and the crew will row for the first time in a boat of that class.

For a junior eight conditions are much more promising. The following men have been at work in the gymnasium for the past month: Campbell, Radcliffe, Hall, Freshmen, Turnbull, Wilson, Mueser, Scott, Findley, Bogert, Lynch, Spaulding and De Podesta. Their preliminary practice has been of the most satisfactory character. In less than a month from the time they organized their style was superior to that of last year's crew when it took to the water. This marked improvement is largely due to the alterations made in the rowing machines at the suggestion of Athletic Director Giannini.

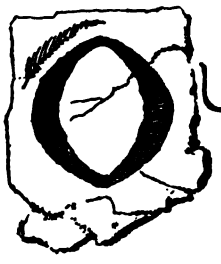
The double, P. L. Howard and R. H. Crawford, who met with such success last season, will again take to the water, but the four who have rowed with varying success for several years have disbanded.

## EXHIBITION POOL.

A NEW and welcome departure from the ordinary round of sport was made when Mr. W. A. Oakes, representing the New York A. C., met Mr. Edward H. Johnson, of the Union League Club, in an exhibition game of pool, on February 27th.

The game took place in the Union League Club, a number of New York Athletic Club members receiving invitations to witness it.

Both players were in good form. The steady nerve of Oakes and his brilliant shots at critical moments enabled him to win by a score of 200 to 148. Mr. Johnson, besides being the best pool player in the Union League Club, was for years champion of the New York Club. A return match has been arranged, to take place in the New York Athletic Club gymnasium, on March 13th.



# UR OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO THE FACT THAT OFFICIAL NOTICES WILL BE PUBLISHED **ONLY IN THE JOURNAL** AND UNDER THIS HEADING.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

March 6—Ladies' Day, 1 to 6 p. m.

March 20—Vaudeville in Gymnasium.

## FENCING.

March 13—Team Championship of A. F. L. A., New York A. C. House, at 8 p. m.

March 18—Senior Club Championship, at 8.30 p. m.

March 20—Junior Club Championship, at 4 p. m.

March 22—Dueling Swords Handicap, Open to A. F. L. A. Members, New York A. C. House, at 8 p. m.

## HOCKEY.

March 9—New York A. C. vs. Montclair A. C., at St. Nicholas Rink.

March 23—New York A. C. vs. St. Nicholas S. C., at St. Nicholas Rink.

## BOXING.

March 27—Boxing Entertainment in Gymnasium, at 8.30 p. m.

## AQUATICS.

March 13—Swimming Competitions for Club Championships, at 8 p. m.

March 25—Handicap Swimming Competitions, at 8 p. m.

## POOL.

March 13—Exhibition Game Between Edward H. Johnson, Union League Club, and W. A. Oakes, New York A. C., in Gymnasium, at 8.30 p. m.

## CROSS COUNTRY.

April 3—Cross-Country Team Championship of America, Under Auspices of New York A. C.

## TRAVERS ISLAND.

MEMBERS who have joined the club since last summer whose friends have not sung the praises of Travers Island in their ears may profit by a little information regarding the country home of the club. Before deciding on plans for summer residence, vacation or outing trips, wisdom prompts a consideration of the many advantages offered at Travers Island.

To those whose business requires their daily attendance in the city an ideal opportunity is presented of lightening their burden by gaining fresh, pure air for a few hours each day, accompanied by unequaled facilities for recreation and amusement. Adequate provisions are made for boating, yachting, swimming, shooting, driving, tennis, baseball and all athletic games, while the monotony is varied by entertainments on Ladies' Day each week and club competitions at different sports.

A strong argument in favor of the comfort and convenience of the Island is the fact that several of the "Regular Boarders" have taken up their summer quarters there every season since the opening of the Island.

Among those who have already engaged rooms for the coming season at the Island are C. E. Knoblauch, J. Bowers Cox, J. H. Booth, James Lowerre, Joseph A. Fuller, C. H. Howard, E. P. Reynolds, A. Kleybolte, George W. Scott, E. C. Roosevelt, Beverly Bogert and A. G. Fry.

The usual special tickets for members of the New York A. C. at a round-trip fare of twenty-five cents, have been again provided this year. The trains leave Third Avenue and 129th Street at a quarter to every hour. The following are the rates for rooms at the Island: Single rooms, $1 00 per day, $6.00 per week, $70.00 for the season. Double rooms, $2.00 per day, $10 00 per week, $140.00 for the season.



NEW SHOOTING HOUSE AT TRAVERS ISLAND.

## THE BICYCLE DINNER.

THE fifth annual bicycle dinner on February 18th will be remembered as the merriest feast the wheelmen have held in the clubhouse. It equaled in importance all its predecessors, for among the speakers were prominent heads of city departments and leading jurists. The good advice and reason contained in their remarks were so permeated with humor that dullness was impossible and hilarity the rule while the speeches were in progress.

Under the direction of the Bicycle Committee —Dr. Seneca D. Powell, John C. Gulick and Douglas Henry—an attractive menu and toast list had been prepared, with appropriate quotations How thoroughly their task was executed may be judged from the following menu:

This night I hold an old accustomed feast.—Romeo and Juliet, I., 2.

### MENU.

OYSTERS.

A very gentle beast and of a good conscience—Midsummer Night's Dream, V., 1.

ESSENCE OF CHICKEN.

Love me little, love me long—Marlow's Jew of Malta, IV.

| CELERY. | OLIVES. | RADISHES. |
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| "Cum grano salis." | The superfluous, a very necessary thing—Voltaire. | In the morning at a breakfast of Radyshes at the Purser's cabin—Pepys. |

SOLE A LA MEUNIERE.

One foot in sea and one on shore.—The Friar of Orders Grey.

POTATOES NATUREL.

From the still vex'd Bermoothes.—Tempest, I., 2.

FILET MIGNON, BORDELAISE.

Our old and faithful friend,
We are glad to see you.—Measure for Measure, V., 1.

| NEW PEAS. | STRING BEANS. |
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| We can call these delicate creatures ours. Othello, III., 3. | Soft! I will go along. Romeo and Juliet, I., 1. |

POTATOES GLACE.

Let the sky rain potatoes.—Merry Wives, V., 5.

BROILED PARTRIDGE.

Am I your bird? I mean to shift my bush!—Taming of the Shrew, V., 2.

ROMAINE AND LETTUCE SALAD.

Variety's the very spice of life
That gives it all its flavor.—Cowper's Task, III.

FANCY ICES.

And pretty little, tiny kickshaws, tell William cook.
—II. Henry IV., V., 1.

CAMEMBERT.

At which my nose is in great indignation.—Tempest, IV., 1.

FRUIT.

Digestive cheese and fruit there sure will be.
Ben Jonson's Epigrams, CI.

COFFEE.

'Tis strong, and it does indifferent well.
—Twelfth Night, I., 3.

Leave Business to Idlers and Wisdom to Fools; they have need of 'em: Wit be my Faculty, and Pleasure my Occupation, and let Father Time shake his Glass
—Congreve's Old Bachelor, I., 1.

### TOASTS.

TOASTMASTER, - - - DR. SENECA D. POWELL.
"I think you'll force me to become your patient."
Marmion's Antiquary. III.

President James Whitely, The New York Athletic Club.
"Praise me not too much, nor blame me.
For thou speakest to the Greeks, who know me."
Bryant's Homer's Iliad, X.

Captain Bartow S. Weeks. My First Ride.
"Master, master, news, old news, and such news as you never heard of."
Taming of the Shrew, III., 2.

Thomas Commerford Martin, The Round Table Cycle Club.
"Who are these in bright array?"

Judge Wm. Travers Jerome, The Wheelman and the Judge.
"You shall comprehend all vagrom men."
Much Ado, III., 3.

Commissioner A. D. Andrews, The Police Department.
"O, it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' Tommy go away!
But it's 'Thank you, Mister Atkins,' when the band begins to play."
Kipling.

Col. George E. Waring, Jr., Clean Streets.
"I cannot tell a lie, Father, I did it."
George Washington.

Senior Consul James B. Townsend, The Gentle Art of Wheeling in all Ages.
"O Mæcenas, sprung from grandsire Kings.
There are those whom the whirling wheels delight."
Horace, Ode First, Book First.

Commissioner Samuel McMillan, Good Roads.
"Posters of the sea and land, thus do go about, about."
Macbeth, I, 3.

"Gude nicht, and joy be wi' you a'"
Lady Nairne.

The serious business of dining having been disposed of, Chairman Powell made his bow as toastmaster and presented the three special mileage prizes to Dr. F. A. Myrick, N. E. Gouldey and J. C. Howard.

President Whitely, in his address, commented on the willingness of the Board of Governors to encourage and aid the wheeling enterprises.

of the club and advance in every manner possible the cycling interests of the members. He congratulated those present on the fact that the new clubhouse would have increased facilities and provide better opportunities for catering to the wants of the wheelmen, and promised his personal assistance in carrying out the many improvements contemplated in that department of the house.

Captain Bartow S. Weeks responded to the toast "My First Ride," and humorously recounted his adventures in subduing the wild, untamed bicycle. He referred to the prominent part that cyclists had played in the victories of the Winged Foot during the past season, and paid a high tribute to the five amateurs who carried everything before them on the State circuit, and spoke with deep regret of the accident to Irwin Powell, which deprived him of the pride of place in the amateur ranks, to which his ability entitled him. Captain Weeks said that the club would be represented by a team whom he expected to reflect great credit on the club in the coming season, and concluded his remarks with a generous tribute to bicyclists generally and the club wheelmen in particular.

Judge William Travers Jerome responded to the toast "The Wheelman and the Judge." Among other stories he told in a particularly happy vein how he had been held up by one of the city's guardians in Eighth Avenue for alleged fast riding and taken to the station house, and the trouble he had in getting his family to bail him out.

Police Commissioner A. D. Andrews spoke of the bicycle corps of the department and its efficiency. The corps was started a year ago with four men, and had since been increased to twenty-nine. More men will be added from time to time. The department had made a substantial effort to make the streets safe for all kinds of traffic. The bicycle squad made 1,400 arrests in 1896, resulting in $5,000 in fines.

The remarks of Colonel George E. Waring, Jr., in response to the toast "Clean Streets," found a responsive chord in every diner in the room. He spoke of the wretched state such streets are in as are used by the street car companies other than cable roads. The car tracks are a positive menace to drivers and wheelmen. He had been promised that many of these offensive tracks would be replaced by better rails and the wheelmen of the city could force the other companies to do the same.

Colonel Waring explained that his department is not to blame for the street sprinkling nuisance. In Europe the sprinkling in every city is controlled by the same authority that cleans the streets. Here a private concern has a monopoly of the sprinkling and does it for so much a house.

Chief Consul James B. Townsend of the L. A. W. Consulate of New York City, compared the bicycle with the chariots of ancient Rome. Then he told how all the prejudices against bicycles had been overcome, and how the wheel had benefited mankind. He paid high tribute to the League of American Wheelmen, and told how its powers for doing good were brought about by numbers, by cohesion and by organization. He outlined the work of the local consulate, and illustrated its efforts in the wheelmen's behalf without asking special privileges.

President Samuel McMillan of the Park Department spoke to the toast "Good Roads." He concluded by saying:

"As one who has worked out his road taxes behind the plow, I say that the township can't solve the matter, the County can't. You must apply to the State. We want a lot of improved roads that will cost thousands of dollars. The cry is against taxing the wealth for the purpose. But it is better to tax the wealth to feed the poor by means of honest labor than to have them begging at our doors for food."

T. C. Martin, editor of the *Electrical Engineer*, responded to the toast of the Round Table Cycle Club, a unique organization which, he said, might be spoken of as the club of the unattached, and therefore had more members than all the other bicycle clubs combined. Under the guise of describing its principles and rules, he made a series of playful hits at bicycle club life.

He said that the club motto was "One bottle," that being the "dews" for everything, their initiation beverage being familiar and popular everywhere as the pneumatic tire among drinks.

Mr Martin spoke with pride of the membership in the R. T. C C. of such well-known N Y. A. C. men as Secretary Gulick, Captain Yates and Governor Orr.

In addition to the speakers the following members were present: Washington Morton, William M. Ryan, F. E. Himrod, J. H. Hanson, H. S. Carpenter, Arthur G. Thompson, Charles K. Alley, I F. Mead, G. M. Boynton, George M. Hahn, Dr. Henry Griswold, Richard Nelson, John J. Lapham, Alfred Costello, E. P. Reynolds, G. G. Van Schaick, W. Everett Smith, W. D. Bourne, John B. Yates, Elliott Burris, E. Weinacht, Irwin A. Powell, R. H. Goffe, Jr., B. Arthur Ayerigg, Olin J. Stephens, F. A. Myrick, J. H. Haslin, Norman S. Towner, John A. Healey, C. F. Dillinger, T. E. Belts, H. P. Gibson, Douglas Henry, W. S. Wilson, H. C. Bullard, J. W. Carter, J. S. Jacobus, C. A. McCreedy, Louis H. Orr, A. E. Colfax, John S. Baird, C. H. Wilcox, F. W. Kitching, L. W. Kennard, C. M. Benedict, Walter S. Baldwin, A. H. Wray, W. C. Frazee, W. E. Findley, F. E. Elgar, W. W. Gilfillan, E. C. Jurgussen, John S. Wood W. H. McCormack, W. C. Peet, H. A. Shipman, Elliott Mason, C. E. Hawley, D. M. Stern, H. P. Frothingham, Robert Stoll, Wesley F. Smith, Clarence L. Smith, C. W. Coleman, E. E. Bartlett, J. C. Howard, A. H. Curtis, W. R. Yard, M. L. Bridgman, E. F. Schenck, E. R. Rogers.

## MILEAGE.

THE mileage of the following-named members was not included in the list published in February as their records were not reported to the Bicycle Committee: M. F. Plant, 4,021 miles; N. S. Towner, 3,602; Wesley F. Smith, 3,266; Sam'l V. Hoffman, 1,164 3-10; Fred Vilmar, 1,580; Harvey L. Williams, 1,047 5-10; W. S. Wilson, 1,001; W K. Gillett, 4,314; Frank L. Slazenger, 1,021; Fritz Von Bernuth, r., 2,209.

## NEW MEMBERS.

THE response to the circular sent out by the Board, requesting members to interest themselves in filling the membership roll of the club, has been extremely gratifying. Applications are pouring in with great regularity, and although a special meeting was held on February 25 at which about thirty new members were elected, there are as many still on the list to come before the Board at the regular March meeting.

The following gentlemen were elected on the 25th:

A. C. Gildersleeve, Erbine C. Phillips, William West Shaw, J. F. Matthews, Fred W. Utz, Jahial Parmly, H. E. Bowers, William R. Ecker, Geo. Watson, Thos. C. Martin, William B. Albright, F. W. Dillingham, J. C. Reynolds, John H Halloran, Albert C. Hamlin, I. J. R. Muurling, A. B. Mosher, E. D. Paxson, S. M. Copeland, Edward Bell, Hugh Hill, William H Case, Lewis M. Norwood, John M. Talbot, Geo. C. Boldt, Jr., Spencer H. Gale, William D. Phillips.

## WRESTLING.

MANY an impromptu struggle for supremacy on the mat denotes the approach of the wrestling championship season. In fact the daily work of Instructor Leonard's class has so nearly settled the question of best man at many weights that probably two competitions will suffice to accommodate all the aspirants for championship honors this year. Weinacht, last year's dual winner, is content to retire on his laurels, while the mental and physical injuries of Charlie Turner consequent upon a mutilated name and wrenched shoulder will keep another double-event winner out of competition.

The championships will not be decided until April, and although the weights have not been officially announced they will probably be 125 and 158 pounds. In the former class Dr. H. E. Stafford, H. S. Thompson, Dr. Gilfillan and P. Polifeme are the most formidable of those practicing at present, while in the middleweight class the best men likely to compete are B. G. French, G. Bechtel, W. H. Page, J. R. Eckerson and A. Kollstede.

# General Athletics

## A. A. U. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

NEW YORK A. C. SWIMMERS WIN HONORS AT CHICAGO—REEDER BREAKS A RECORD.

THE New York Athletic Club team who journeyed to Chicago to take part in the Amateur Athletic Union championships, were unquestionably successful and fully justified the action of the Athletic Committee in sending them so far afield in quest of honors.

The championship meeting took place in the natatorium of the Chicago A. A. on Friday and Saturday, February 26th and 27th. Our four sturdy representatives, Normandie Murray, Louis Fitzgerald, Jr., F. A. Wenck, and D. M. Reeder, left New York on Wednesday evening, and a tiresome railroad journey rendered them none too fresh for the opening night's contest. The principal event on the programme was the 600 yards relay race, in which our men were pitted against the crack swimmers of the Chicago A. A. and Knickerbocker A. C. Considerable interest centered in the event, as it was expected to foreshadow the place winners in the championship events to be decided the following evening. The winning club also could justly claim the possession of the best team of swimmers, an honor as much coveted as the championship at any particular distance.

The conditions of the race allowed four men to start from each club, two of whom were to swim 100 yards each, and the other two 200 yards each. Normandie Murray led off for the New York A. C., and opened the eyes of the Westerners by the turn of speed he exhibited. At every stroke he drew further ahead of his competitors, and when at the end of a hundred yards he transferred the struggle to Louis Fitzgerald, the Mercury Foot had obtained such a commanding lead that victory was assured. Fitzgerald and Reeder increased the advantage gained by Murray, leaving Wenck a useful margin when he plunged in for the final 200 yards against the formidable Knickerbocker representative, S. B. French. In spite of good, hard swimming by French, Wenck fairly held his own, and placed the victory to the credit of the N. Y. A. C. by twenty yards, French beating Neumann, of Chicago, by three yards, for the place.

Louis Fitzgerald finished fourth in the tub race, while prohibitive allowances in the 80-yards handicap barred the New York men from any chance of victory. The water polo game between the Chicago A. A. and Knickerbocker A. C. was won by Chicago. Four goals to one.

On the second evening, when the championship races took place, the Chicago A. A. team was reinforced by the Milwaukee swimmer, G. Whittaker, who captured two of the three events on the card. Those who remember Normandie Murray's great effort for the 100-yards championship last year, can easily depict how he fought every inch of the water with the Chicago crack. Whittaker, however, would not be denied, and staving off Murray's desperate rush at the finish, won by a touch in the fast time of 1 min. 10 1-5 seconds.

The New Yorkers' turn came, however, in the 220-yards championship, when Reeder, of the New York A. C., drew clear away from Neumann to whom the Westerners pinned their faith, and won by a good margin, in 2 minutes 58 seconds, beating the American record for the distance. Wenck placed third honors to the credit of the N. Y. A. C.

In the 440-yards championship, Whittaker was again successful, while French, of the Knickerbockers, beat Wenck, of the N. Y. A. C., for second place. The time, 6 minutes 27 2-5 seconds, was faster than the American record. The summaries:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26.

Relay race, 600 yards.—Won by N. Y. A. C., time, 8.05—100 yards, Normandie Murray; 200 yards, L. Fitzgerald, Jr.; 100 yards, D. M. Reeder; 200 yards, Fred Wenck.

K. A. C., second, time, 8.23—100 yards, J. F. McMillan; 200 yards, G. N. Roe; 100 yards, G. Van Cleaf; 200 yards, S. B. French.

C. A. A., third, time, 8.24—100 yards, T. P. Wiley; 200 yards, R. E. Beach; 100 yards, V. Harding; 200 yards, P. Neumann.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

100 yard championship.—Won by G. Whittaker, Chicago A. A.; N. Murray, N. Y. A. C., second; J. F. McMillan, K. A. C., third. Time, 1 min. 10 1-5 sec.

220 yard championship.—Won by D. M. Reeder, N. Y. A. C.; P. Neumann, Chicago A. A., second; F. Wenck, N. Y. A. C., third. Time, 2 min. 58 sec.

440 yards.—Won by G. Whittaker, Chicago A. A.; S. B. French, Knickerbocker A. C., second; F. Wenck, N. Y. A. C., third. Time, 6 min. 27 2-5 sec.

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## CLUB COMPETITIONS.

THE first of the swimming competitions arranged to take place during the season provided interesting sport in the natatorium on February 13th. The meeting scheduled for February 25th was postponed until March 4th on account of the visit of four of the prominent competitors to Chicago. The summaries:

Plunging—Won by F. J. Wells, 56 feet; Normandie Murray, 51 feet, second; Fred Wenck, 46 feet, third.

One Hundred Yard Scratch Race for members' sons—Won by Charles Benn, Jr., 1 min. 49 sec.; W. W. Swan, 1 min. 51 3-5 sec., second; T. H. Burch, Jr., 2 min. 1 sec., third.

One Hundred Yard Scratch Race—Won by Normandie Murray, 1 min. 14 sec.; D. M. Reeder, 1 min. 15 sec., second; J. M. Davis, 1 min. 23 sec., third.

Three Hundred Yard Scratch Race—Won by F. Wenck, 4 min. 32 1-5 sec.; Normandie Murray, 4 min. 47 1-5 sec., second; J. M. Davis, 4 min. 51 2-5 sec., third.

## HOCKEY.

THE hockey team has continued its successful career during the month of February, and up to the present has not suffered a single defeat since its organization. The record made by the team is remarkable, and the fact that in the games played to date the club team has scored 85 goals against a total of 9 scored by their opponents, clearly indicates that their victories have been earned by superior play and not by luck.

With a total of five games won and no defeats the club holds premier position in the Amateur Hockey League series. The St. Nicholas A. C. is in second place, only having lost the game with the New York A. C. The championship hinges on the game to be played between our team and the St. Nicholas on March 23d; should the St. Nicholas win the game, there will be a tie for the championship. It behooves the "rooters" to gather in force at the St. Nicholas Rink on the 23d and encourage the Winged Foot players to play their best for the championship and a clean record. Victory cannot be taken for granted on that occasion, as our team will lose the valuable services of A. G. Fry, whose business calls him to St. Johns, N. B. Before he left the city, on March 1st, his fellow-players gave a farewell dinner in his honor at the club house.

Of the games played during the past month, that with the All-Massachusetts team was the most interesting. The visitors were a strong, sturdy lot of players far exceeding the New York men in weight, but though they kept the score down to the small figures of 3 to 0, owing to the superior science of the New York team, the issue was never in doubt.

The following are the results of the games played:

February 4—New York A. C., 8; South Orange F. C., 1.

February 11—New York A. C., 3; All-Massachusetts, 0.

February 13—New York A. C., 5; Yale University, 0.

February 16—(League game) New York A. C., 11; Crescent A C., 0.

March 2—(League game) New York A. C., 7; Brooklyn S. C., 1.

February 19—New York A. C., second team, 2; St. Nicholas, second team, 5.

## HAND TENNIS.

BY E. J. GIANNINI.

### DESCRIPTION.

THE game, which may be played either in singles or doubles, is as follows:

"A" serves the ball to the opposing player, "B," who stands diagonally opposite. "B" attempts to return the ball over the net and within bounds, and failing, "A" scores one point. If "B" returns the ball, and "A" fails to return to "B", it is "hand out," and no points are scored. "B" then serves, and play continues as above described. The player first scoring twenty-five points wins the game.

In both singles and doubles, the server alternates from right to left court, until losing the ball.

### RULES.

1. The server must stand back of the base line, within the limits of the width of the court.

2. The ball must be bounced to the floor outside of the base line before striking it on the serve.

3. The ball may be returned after the serve either on the first bounce or on the fly; on the serve the ball must be returned on the first bounce.

4. The ball may be struck with either hand, but not with both together.

5. In serving two tries are allowed if necessary to place the ball in the proper court. If two faults result, it is "hand out."

6. A "Let" is the same as in lawn tennis.

7. In serving, if the ball goes into the net it is "hand out."

8. Stepping over the foul line at the net, striking the net with the hand or reaching over the net is foul.

9. A ball which rebounds by striking any part of the person other than the hand is foul.

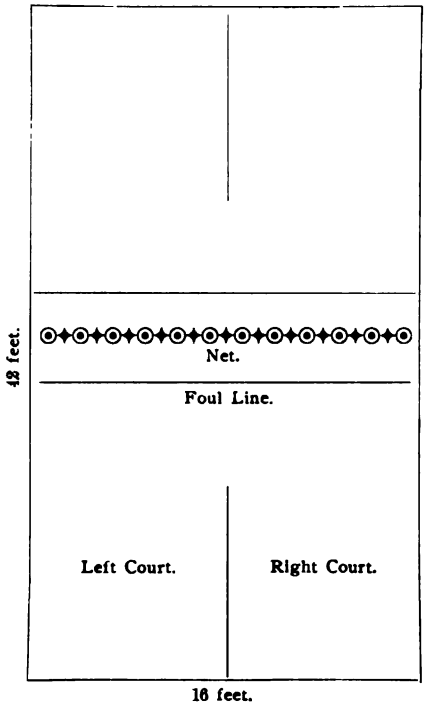
10. A ball striking on the boundary or court lines is good.

11. Any fouls committed by the server or serving side is "hand out."

12. "Hand out" is the loss of the ball to the opposing side.

### HAND TENNIS COURT.

Court is 42 feet long and 16 feet wide; net is 2 feet high, and hung 2 feet 6 inches from the




floor. Foul lines are 3 feet on either side from the net. All lines are usually painted on the floor in white.

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THE following games have been played in the hand tennis tournament for doubles:

D. H. Tenny and J. B. Cox vs. C. G. Bothner and L. R. Sharp.

First Game.

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| Tenny and Cox..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 10— | 25 |
| Bothner and Sharp.. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | x— | 9 |

Second Game.

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| Tenny and Cox.... | 5 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 8—25 |
| Bothner and Sharp. | 1 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 4—19 |

E. Ellsworth and W. R. Bassett vs. R. O. Haubold and E. P. Reynolds.

First Game.

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| Ellsworth and Bassett.. | 8 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 1— | 25 |
| Haubold and Reynolds. | 4 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5— | 21 |

Second Game.

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| Ellsworth and Bassett..... | 8 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6— | 25 |
| Haubold and Reynolds... ... | 8 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 0— | 19 |

J. H. Haslin and H. S. Lyons vs. G. F Booth and B. E. French.

First Game.

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| Haslin and Lyons.... | 6 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 1—25 |
| Booth and French.... | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0—21 |

Second Game.

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| Haslin and Lyons..... | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 5—25 |
| Booth and French..... | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1—13 |

## FENCING.

THE first of a series of three meetings to decide the fencing championships of the club took place in the fencing-room on February 18. The committee decided that three competitions should be held at foils, dueling swords and sabres, the championship honor with each weapon to rest with the competitor who scores the greatest number of points in the three trials.

In the junior or second-class foil championship on February 20, half a dozen aspirants for fame took part in an interesting contest, the two leaders being so well matched that only two points separated them at the finish.

THE SUMMARIES.

**Seniors, February 18 —Foils—Dr. G. M. Hammond, 143⅓; Charles G. Bothner, 118⅓; Samuel T. Shaw, 101⅔.**

**Dueling Swords.—C. G. Bothner, 5; Samuel T. Shaw, 2; Dr. G. M. Hammond, 2.**



C. G. Bothner. R. O. Haubold. G. Kavanagh.
WINNERS OF THE SHAW CUP.

**Sabres.—Charles G. Bothner, 6; Frank L. Slazenger, 5; Dr. G. M. Hammond, 4**

**Junior Foil Championship, February 20 —W. Lyon, 368⅔; C. C. Curran, 366⅔; C. Lyon, 332⅔; C. W. Coleman, 293⅓; P Polifeme, 293⅓; Gilford, 220⅓.**

FENCING NOTES.

The annual team championship for the Shaw Cup, now held by the New York A. C., will take place in the New York A. C. house on March 13, at 8 p. m. C. G. Bothner and W. T. Heintz will again represent the club, but the place of G. Kavanagh will have to be taken by another representative.

Mr. C. G. Petersen has donated a pair of dueling swords for a competition with dueling swords open to amateur fencers, members of the A. F. I. A. The contest will take place in the New York A. C. house on March 22, at 8.30 p. m. The prize is now on exhibition in the fencing-room.

A novelty is on the tapis in the form of a package party, to be held at the same time as the competition for the Petersen prize. Each member will be required to bring a sealed package or prize to cost not less than one dollar, and not more than two dollars.

The remaining competitions for the Senior Club Fencing Championship will take place on March 18 and April 15, at 8.30 p. m. The Juniors will compete on March 20 and April 17, at 4 p. m.

The club will give a fencing entertainment during the season, at which the exhibitions will be varied in character.

The courtesy of the fencing-room is extended to the Fencer's Club on the first Tuesday of every month.

# CLUB CURRENTS

THOSE members who are fortunate enough to have handled a sweep or scull during their career enjoyed a royal evening's fun at the annual dinner of the oarsmen on February 20.

The cosy Potter House at Travers Island was tastefully decorated; the handsome trophies won by the crews heightening the effect of the floral pieces, while the ceiling was rendered appropriate to the occasion by a picturesque arrangement of sculls and sweeps.

Shorty Rathborne, one of the brigade who early won laurels on the water for the New York A. C., occupied the chair, and related some personal reminiscences of rowing in the middle ages, in which he was ably seconded by Olin J. Stephens. Ernest Thorpe is credited with a speech on the English system of rowing, and W. H. Pinckney strongly endorsed cycling as an aid to rowing in particular and man's peace of mind generally.

The dinner, from creek oysters to coffee, was thoroughly enjoyed by the following, in whom exercise had induced appetites to devour and digestion to appreciate the excellent menu: R. W. Rathborne, E. W. Knickerbocker, J. Cremins, James A. Miller, J. R. Spalding, A. L. Clark, W. H. Pinckney, E. J. Keane, Olin J. Stephens, R. C. Fisher, R H. Walden, A. G. Fry, B. Bogert, S. M. Seaman, E. Crawford, D. G. Smyth, T. E. Tomlinson, Campbell Smyth, F. L. Slazenger, E. Thorpe, P. L. Howard, R. H. Crawford, G. Kollstede, R. G. Radcliffe, E. J. Giannini, Fred Williams.

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A HUCKLEBERRY Dutch took place at Liederkranz Hall on February 13, when the following well-known Indians were the guests of Mr. Robert C. Kammerer: Chas. B. Keyes, Sam Stewart, Tom Cooke, E. P. Reynolds, Max Kaesche, R. J. Schaefer, C. H. Liebert, J. C. O'Brien, S. D. McElroy, Jno. Stewart, Thos. B. Moore, H. E. Toussaint, E. F. Haubold.

THE Locusts elected to swarm at the Manhattan Club on February 18 rather than cause devastation in the ranks of the wheelmen by swooping down upon the choice viands provided for the bicycle dinner. Probably the hope of getting something they could not get at home influenced the insects, for those who chirped over the delicacies provided by the famous Manhattan chef broke the record for attendance, with a total of eighteen members and two guests.

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THERE is a strong "let me get at them" feeling among the owners of steam launches, and the probabilities of another launch race at Travers Island next season are already being discussed in the clubhouse. The event was omitted from the regatta last year because of lack of entries. It is thought that a race fixed for an earlier date in the season than heretofore would attract the following interesting entries: W. Luttgen's Amelia Victoria, R. C. Fisher's Aletes, H. H. Baxter's Midge, J. H. Booth's Muidos, F. Williams' Surprise, M. W. Bronson's Trochilus, and F. O. Roe's Aurelia.

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SPRINTER B. J. Wefers still retains his wonderful form; he finished a close second to T. R. Fisher, who had 7 feet handicap in the New Jersey A. C. 60-yard race and won the scratch, 60 yards, with ease, M. P. Halpin finishing second.

At the games of the Ninth Regiment and Xavier A. C., Wefers turned the tables on Fisher, conceding him 4 feet in 75 yards and beating him by 2 feet.

## PERSONAL.

The members of the Boston Athletic Association water polo team visited the club house on Saturday morning, February 20. They mistook Gus Sundstrom's class of members' sons playing tag in the tank for the N. Y. A. C. water polo team, and almost summoned up courage to challenge the outfit to a game before discovering their mistake. The visitors were G. B. Williams, T. F. Baxter, Arthur Blake, Stanley Howe, Charles LeMoyne, S. L. Hecht, W. L. Shearer and J. Burns, Jr.

Mr. George J. Gould's pointers were prominent among the prize winners at the dog show. Mr. Augustus Belmont also showed some prize winners, but Mr. John R. Buchan's three handsome French bulldogs were prevented from receiving ribbons because they possessed the tulip instead of the rose-ear which took the judges' fancy.

The fine Italian hand of Secretary John C. Gulick could easily be discerned in the apt quotations which adorned the menu and toast list of the bicycle dinner. The quotations could not have been more appropriate, and are evidence of the thorough manner in which the programme was arranged.

Mr. Alexander Just is not only an authority on the fistic art, whose opinion has been liberally quoted on the coming heavy-weight contest, but is also an expert bowler. The pins he uses are similar to the regulation article, but hollow. His friends, however, keep *mum* on that subject.

Mr. Frank L. Slazenger has presented a handsome silver cup to the Amateur Hockey League for the winning team in the championship series.

Mr. H. S. Thompson is one of the latest aspirants for gymnastic honors, and with earnest work he will undoubtedly develop great proficiency in that branch of athletics.

Charles Clifford Turner, the well-known gymnast, oarsman and any-old-weight wrestler, is no more. By a recent order of the New York City Court he has become Charles Hodgson Turner. His one-time antagonist on the mat, S. Scoville, Jr., appeared as his attorney.

Mr. George D. Phillips, by winning the figure skating championship, wound up a remarkable competitive career. Judging from his youthful appearance and the capers he cuts on skates none would think that he competed in his first race thirty years ago.

Mr. Edward F. Hutton sailed on February 24, via steamship Paris, for a tour through Europe covering a period of four months. He received a royal send-off from his club friends, amongst whom were Little Willie Rudolphy and Tom Benedict Hall.

Through a clerical error Mort Cowperthwait was deprived of the credit of bowling in the 1,041 record game, made by our team in the Harlem Republican League. His score of 184 was credited to Toussaint, who did not bowl.

In the gymnasium Mr. Emery Katzenbach is looked upon as the coming man. Though only a short while under Director Giannini's instruction he is already one of the best tumblers in the class.

Mr. A G. Kollstede's wrestling and gymnastic work has unfortunately been interfered with by an injury to his shoulder received while disporting himself on the mat.

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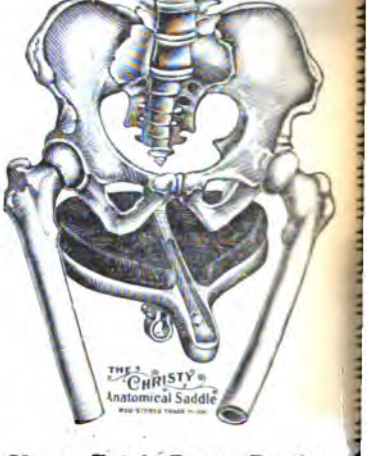
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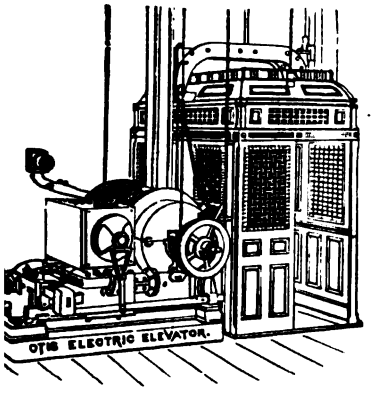
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Contributions of all kinds, on topics of interest, are cordially invited. Reading matter should, when possible, be in the hands of the Editor by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Address all communications to the Editor of the New York Athletic Club Journal, 104 W. 55th St., N. Y. City.

## A GOLF COURSE.

LADDIES who have been clamoring for a golf course in the vicinity of Travers Island are at last accommodated. The energy of C. Smyth and C. V. R. Radcliffe has resulted in the laying out of a nine-hole link on the property kindly loaned for the occasion by the well-known club member and frequenter of Travers Island, E. C. Roosevelt. The chappies who affect the latest form of sport will find the new links very difficult, as they have been discreetly laid over hills and bunkers on the ground back of the priory. Many interesting contests have already taken place over the links, and it appears that Cam Smith, who laid out the course did it with due regard for his own ability, as he at present solemnly affirms that he holds the record for the course of fifty-three strokes. The low record is held by the enthusiastic sportsman, Ernest Thorpe, who spent the greater portion of an afternoon making 427 drives at the ball in order to cover the nine holes.

The game has become popular with the oarsmen in training for the Decoration Day regatta, and "Count" Giannini has to drive his crew away from the fascinating pastime with golf-sticks.

## THE BOWLING PRIZE.

THE picture foreshadowed in a previous number of the "Journal" is now hung on the wall of the reading-room, where it commands the admiration and commendation of those who view it. It is the championship prize of 1896 won by the team of the N. Y. A. C. in the Amateur Athletic League. It represents the bowling of the last ball in "The Winning Game," showing a corner of our own alleys, the blackboard and names of players and score as actually bowled.

The picture is the work of Mr. Charles C. Curran, a member of the Art Committee, who kindly contributes the large difference between the value of the picture and the amount allowed for the prize. It is now the property of the club, will be properly inscribed, and will doubtless form an interesting memento, when hung in the new club house, of the old alleys, where so many championships have been won. Experts pronounce it perfect in detail, and the picture being painted entirely at night, possesses admirable light effects.

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THE troubles of the Building and Finance Committee have been increased, and work on the new clubhouse considerably delayed by the tendency of the great American workman to strike. The steamfitters had a grievance, and the carpenters expressed their sympathy with them by declining to work until the steamfitters started to fit again. Then, when the demands of the fitters were met, the helpers were left out in the cold, and more trouble ensued. At one time it looked as though the picture of the new clubhouse, "The way it looks now," would be available as standing matter for many months, but just before the "Journal" went to press word was received that the strike was ended, and the committee hope by energetic work to have the building ready for occupancy in the fall, if no further complications arise.




## BOTHNER'S CLEAN SWEEP.

CHARLES G. BOTHNER, of the New York Athletic Club, eclipsed the performances of all other fencers in the national amateur championships, held under the joint auspices of the A. F. L. A. and A. A. U., on April 30th and May 1st, by winning the leading honors in the foils, dueling swords and sabres, the three events decided. Such an achievement is unprecedented in the history of the championships, and is a fitting climax to the long list of victories earned by the New York Athletic Club fencers this season.

Bothner has held the sabre championship since 1895, and his victory with this weapon created no surprise, but he was scarcely looked upon as a formidable candidate in the foil competition, which last year was won by G. Kavanagh, of the New York A. C. A. V. Z. Post, of the Fencers' Club, who won the event in 1895, was strongly fancied for first honors, and the duel between him and Bothner was one of the most exciting contests of the final evening's sport; it was nip and tuck from beginning to end, and as the championship hinged on the result, the supporters of both men were in a state of feverish excitement until the judges announced Bothner the victor by a score 72 2-3 to 69. On figuring the percentages for the fifteen bouts necessary to determine the contest, it was found that Bothner was victorious, having earned a total of 388 2-3 to 388 1-3 for Post.

In the dueling swords, the New York Athletic Club supplied first and second men in Bothner and S. T. Shaw. The latter did not appear for the first evening's fencing, but was allowed to fence by common consent on the final evening. He improved his opportunity well enough to take second position only one point behind Bothner.

In the sabres, Bothner again defeated Slazenger, emphasizing the result of the contest for the N. Y. A. C. club championships. This proved a surprise to many good judges, as Slazenger has improved enough this season to render him an extremely dangerous opponent with the sabre. It was Bothner's day, however, and he totaled twenty points more than Slazenger in the three bouts. The summaries:

### FOILS.

Won by Charles G. Bothner, N. Y. A. C., with an aggregate score of 388 2-3; A. V. Z. Post, Fencers' Club, second, with 388 1-3; Charles Tatham, Fencers' Club, third, with 333; William T. Heintz, N. Y. A. C., fourth, with 328; J. Langdon Erving, Fencers' Club, fifth, with 314; John Allaire, N. Y. Turn Verein, sixth, with 286.

### DUELING SWORDS.

Won by Charles G. Bothner, N. Y. A. C., with an aggregate score of 8 touches; Samuel T. Shaw, N. Y. A. C., second, with 7; A. V. Z. Post, and Dr. J. H. Claiborne, Fencers' Club, a tie, with 6 each; W. T. Heintz, N. Y. A. C., 3. Fence off of tie won by Dr. Claiborne.

### SABRES.

First Bout—F. L. Slazenger, N. Y. A. C., 75, defeated John Allaire, N. Y. Turn Verein, 58.

Second Bout—Charles G. Bothner, N. Y. A. C., 80 2-3, defeated John Allaire, N. Y. Turn Verein, 70.

Third Bout—Charles G. Bothner, 81 2-3, defeated F. L. Slazenger, N. Y. A. C., 67 1-3.

Championship—Won by Charles G. Bothner, with an aggregate score of 162 1-3; F. L. Slazenger, second, with 142 1-3; John Allaire, third, with 128.

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THE fencers of the New York Athletic Club, after an up-hill struggle, won a great victory in the Junior team championship, on April 16th and 17th. The following teams competed:

Harvard—H. Bowker, M. Green and M. de Diaz.

Cornell—Dr. C. P. Vargauven, W. O. Amsler and R. Rathbun.

New York A. C.—C. C. Curran, A. Schroeder and W. Lyon.

Fencers' Club—Dr. J. H. Claiborne, J. Langdon Irving and E. Tatham.

At the end of the third round, the New York A. C. representatives were in third position, and

thirty points behind the Fencers' Club team, who were leaders at that time. Cornell University was second at this stage of the contest, ten points ahead of the New York A. C., while Harvard, the winner last year, was only eight points behind the N. Y. A. C.

Gradually the Mercury Foot wearers improved their position, gaining a few points each round until they assumed the lead at the end of the eighth round. In the ninth, which was the final round, the New Yorks drew further away and won by the handsome margin of 74 points.

The victory was due in a great measure to the clever work of W. Lyon, who won the special prize for individual merit. His execution was remarkable for a Junior, and earned him the commendation of the expert spectators.

The competition called for fifty-four bouts, style as well as touches being taken into consideration.

The summary:

Total Score—New York A. C., 1,574; Cornell, 1,500; Fencers' Club, 1,499; Harvard, 1,476.

Individual Score—W. Lyon, New York A. C., 650; R. Rathbun, Cornell, 580; M. Green, Harvard, 530; J. Langdon Erving, Fencers' Club, 525; C. C. Curran, New York A. C., 517; Dr. J. H. Claiborne, Fencers' Club, 499, deducting 10 points for fines; M. de Diaz, Harvard, 478; E. Tatham, Fencers' Club, 475; H. Bowker, Harvard, 468; W. O. Amsler, Cornell, 468; Dr. C. P. Vargauven, Cornell, 452; and A. Schroeder, New York A. C., 407.

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS.

MR. CHARLES G. BOTHNER established his claim to the title of the club fencing champion by proving victorious in the final competitions for the three events given by the club to establish a champion of that sport, though by a very narrow margin, in the dueling swords and sabres. Dr. Hammond, an important factor in the events, did not appear on April 15th, when the final competitions took place, but in the sabres, the performance of F. L. Slazenger, who was only beaten by one point by such an experienced fencer as Bothner, is worthy of comment. The evergreen S. T. Shaw was second in both foils and dueling swords.

In the Junior foil championship, for which the final competition took place on April 24th, C. C. Curran maintained his lead, and won by about nineteen points from W. Lyon. The competition was interesting throughout, and the contestants show evidence of developing into accomplished swordsmen. The following are the summaries:

APRIL 15. FOILS.

| | | Total points. |
|---|---|---|
| C. G. Bothner, | 77½ | 347 5-6 |
| S. T. Shaw. | 70 | 271 2-3 |
| Dr. G. M. Hammond, | absent | 270 5-6 |

APRIL 15. DUELLING SWORDS.

| | | Total points. |
|---|---|---|
| C. G. Bothner, | 1 | 9 |
| S. T. Shaw, | 2 | 7 |
| Dr. G. M. Hammond, | absent | 5 |

APRIL 15. SABRES.

| | | Total points. |
|---|---|---|
| C. G. Bothner, | 4 | 13 |
| F. L. Slazenger, | 1 | 12 |
| Dr. G. M. Hammond, | absent | 10 |

APRIL 24. JUNIOR FOILS CHAMPIONSHIP.

| | W. Lyon. | C. Curran. | C. Lyon. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| W. Lyon, | X | 82½ | 67½ | 150 |
| C. Curran, | 70 | X | 77½ | 147½ |
| C. Lyon, | 67½ | 55 | X | 122½ |

Total points, 844 1-6.
" " 825 2-3.

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W. H. FEARING, JR., will make an attempt to lower the one-mile amateur record for the Metropolitan District at the Quill Club Wheelmen's meet, on May 22d. He will be paced by a "quad" manned by I. A. Powell, Ray Dawson, George Ruppert, and J. P. Williams, Jr.

## THE FINAL SMOKER.

THE closing of the entertainment season in the city club house on April 17th provides an opportunity to compliment the members of the committee on the ability shown in catering to the desires of the club in this branch.

The performances throughout the season have been of a high character, and sufficient to draw a large crowd to the club house on each occasion. Such a result could not be obtained without the expenditure of much time and patience, and the Entertainment Committee are deserving of the thanks of all club members for their efforts.

# Our Official Bulletin.

**Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.**

### TRAVERS ISLAND.

**May 22—Opening Day.**

**May 29—Lawn Tennis Tournament Opens.**

**June 5—Annual Spring Games.**

### ROWING.

**May 30—Harlem Regatta.**

### ATHLETICS.

**May 30—New Jersey A. C. Open Games.**

WHEELMEN taking trips to Travers Island will do well to avoid Webster avenue beyond Fordham. The road is being remade, and bicycles will have to be carried most of the way between Fordham and Williamsbridge. By making a detour across the Southern Boulevard and then turning to the left through Bronx Park, again to the left at the cross roads, and following the trolley car line to Mount Vernon, a good road will be found all the way.

Until the new road is completed between Pelham Bridge and Travers Island the route along the shore road should be abandoned entirely.

## THE PENDLETON CUP.

PROBABLY a feat unparalleled in cycling history is the performance of C. K. Alley, E. Weinacht and Dr. Myrick who are still contesting for the Pendleton Daily Five-Mile Road Cup. The competition commenced just a year ago, and, according to the sanguine ideas of the donor, should have ended in October.

The persistence exhibited by the riders is characteristic of the men, and it is certain that only serious illness will cause the dropping out of either of the competitors, as the weather, however severe, has been proved to possess no terrors for these hardy cyclists.

Mr. Pendleton is now considering the advisability of adding a new clause to the conditions to provide for the carrying on of the competition by the heirs of the trio.

THE rules governing the competition for the Powell prizes will be the same as for mileage medals, with the following conditions:

1. Mileage shall be made on the road and on singles only.

2. And must be entered at least twice a month in the register either at the Cycle House or the Main House.

## OBITUARY.

MR. A. M. HAWES died April 20th.

MR. JAMES C. REED died April 23d.

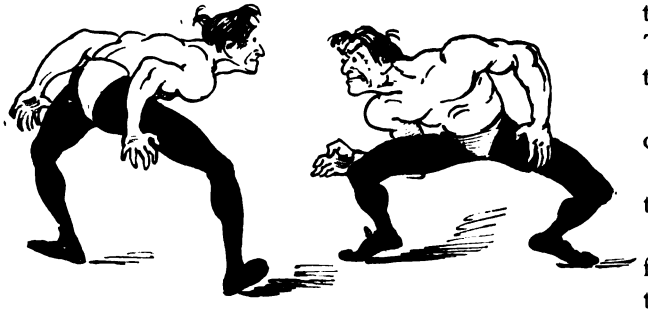
MR. F. P. BASSETT died April 25th.

MR. JOHN R. GRAHAM, JR. died April 26th.

## WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

HIGH class wrestling ruled in the club wrestling championships on April 14th, the winners fairly earning the laurels by defeating a strong and scientific set of competitors.

The heavy-weight contest furnished the best sport of the evening. In every bout the men were well matched, and the spectators were worked up to a high pitch of excitement, as the



SLAZENGER AND PAGE—"LET ME GET AT HIM."

desperate struggles for victory proceeded. M. Page, who is only a youngster when compared with the seasoned athletes pitted against him, gained the sympathy of the crowd by his good work. He drew McColgan in the opening bout of his class, and it was only after five minutes of fierce wrestling that he proved victorious. After Jurgessen had vanquished Schumacher in one of the most even bouts of the night, Page and Slazenger met. At first the old football player had all the best of it, Page only escaping a fall in a quick roll by the narrowest margin. The youngster then took the offensive, and evened matters up. At the end of the ten minutes allowed, Referee O'Brien being unable to decide the winner, ordered a further bout of three minutes. Page received the decision, but Slazenger had given him such a hard tussle that he was in no condition to wrestle the final bout with Jurgessen, the latter exhibiting a most sportsmanlike spirit in agreeing to a postponement.

In the 158-pound class, Bechtel showed his quality by defeating French, after jeopardizing his chance of success by a careless beginning, in 1 min. 58 sec.

The final bouts in the 125-pound and 145-pound classes were also quickly decided. Dr. Stafford won the former in 1 min. 18 sec., and W. H. Page, Jr., disposed of Tatum in the welter-weight, in 48 seconds. The summaries:

125-pounds—First bout, H. S. Thompson defeated W. W. Gilfillan with a body and neck hold; time, 8 min. 54 sec.

Final bout—Dr. H. E. Stafford defeated H. S. Thompson with a half Nelson and body hold; time, 1 min. 18 sec.

145 pounds, first bout—W. H. Page, Jr., defeated D. F. Cox, with a back hammer lock; time, 4 min. 10 sec. Second bout—Charles R. Tatum defeated A. A. McGlaushan on work; time, 20 minutes.

Final bout—Page defeated Tatum, with a cross-body lift; time, 48 sec.

Bout for second place—Cox defeated Tatum; time, 2 min. 59 sec.

158 pounds, first bout—Byron E. French defeated A. G. Kollstede, with arm and body hold; time, 2 min. 33 sec.

Final bout—Bechtel defeated French; time, 1 min. 58 sec.

Heavy-weight, first bout—M. Page defeated J. G. McColgan, with a leg and body hold; time, 5 min. 4 sec. Second bout—E. C. Jurgessen defeated C. Schumacher, with a half-Nelson; time,



BECHTEL AND FRENCH—SLIGHTLY MIXED.

6 min. 8 sec. Third bout—M. Page defeated F. L. Slazenger, on work; time, 13 min.

Final Bout—M. Page defeated E. C. Jurgessen. McColgan received second prize by default.

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THE illustrations of the wrestling championship are drawn by George Bothner, who has truthfully copied the ferocious and agonized expression of the contestants.




## N. Y. A. C. SWIMMERS VICTORIOUS.

AFTER the showing made by the New York Athletic Club swimmers in the first of the open point competitions given by the Knickerbocker Athletic Club, an easy victory was assured for the great aggregation who carry the Mercury Foot in natatorial contests.

The events decided on April 8th and 14th were, with one exception, won by New York A. C. men, and they triumphantly bore away the banner for the greatest number of points scored.

In the 220-yard swimming race, decided on April 8th, all three places fell to New York A. C. men, but in the dive and swim under water, Dr. C. F. Adams, the Knickerbocker representative, won with a record-breaking performance of 219 feet.

The sport on the final evening was limited to swimming races at 100 feet and 440 yards, Murray winning the first, and Wenck the second event.

The points scored for the competition were New York A. C., 39; Knickerbocker A. C., 10.

The summaries:

APRIL 8TH.

220-Yard Swim, Scratch—Final heat won by Fred. A. Wenck, N. Y. A. C.; Normandie Murray, N. Y. A. C., second; D. M. Reeder, N. Y. A. C., third. Time, 3 minutes, 35 seconds.

Dive and Swim Under Water—Won by Dr. C. T. Adams, K. A. C., with 219 feet, beating the American record of 175 feet made by E. M. Vandervoort last year; C. A. Lind, Thirteenth Regiment A. A., second, with 190 feet; W. H. Grace, K. A. C., third, with 130 feet.

APRIL 14TH.

100-Foot Swim—Final heat won by N. Murray, New York A. C.; D. M. Reeder, New York A. C., second; J. McMillen, Knickerbocker A. C., third. Time, 20 3-5 seconds.

440-Yard Swim—Final heat won by F. A. Wenck, New York A. C.; A. Rowe, Knickerbocker A. C., second; H. Kollock, Knickerbocker A. C., third. Time, 6 minutes 55 3-5 seconds.

## CLUB SWIMMING HANDICAPS.

IN the final series of the handicap swimming competitions held in the natatorium of the club on April 10th, Louis Fitzgerald, Jr., increased the lead gained in the two previous series, and finished the winner by four points from H. N. Rawlins. F. A. Wenck was third, only two points behind Rawlins.

The events have provided interesting contests and have also served a good purpose in bringing to the front a promising novice in H. N. Rawlins.

The summaries:

**One hundred-and-ten-yards Handicap—Won by H. N. Rawlins, 20 seconds; L. Fitzgerald, 10 seconds, second; W. E. Dickey, 10 seconds, third. Time, 1 min. 33 2 5 sec.**

**Two-hundred-and-twenty-yard's Handicap — Won by F. A. Wenck, 10 seconds; L. Fitzgerald, Jr., 15 seconds, second. Time, 3 min. 37 3-5 sec.**

**Total Points Scored in the Competition—L. Fitzgerald, Jr., 19; H. N. Rawlins, 15; F. A. Wenck, 13; W. E. Dickey, 5; J. M. Davis, 1.**

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SWIMMING is likely to come into more than usual prominence during the ensuing season, as the city of Chicago has appropriated $1,000 to be expended under the auspices of the Chicago A. A. in promoting contests to take place on July 4th in the lagoon where the World's Fair championships were held in 1893.

The Chicago A. A. have applied for permission to hold the Amateur Athletic Union championships on that date, thus giving additional importance to the meeting. If nothing intervenes meanwhile, the New York Athletic Club will make an effort to add more laurels to those already gained this season in that branch of sport. It is the intention of the Athletic Committee to send D. M. Reeder, the 220-yard indoor champion, and F. A. Wenck, the long distance swimmer, to compete in the Windy City. The meeting between Reeder and Whittaker, the Chicago A. A. champion, who has held the pride of place since Kenney's retirement, will be of special interest. With a few months more work Reeder has an excellent chance of defeating the Western crack in either the 100 or 220-yard events. Normandie Murray and Louis Fitzgerald, Jr., the two other fast swimmers of the club, will probably go to Philadelphia on July 4th, where the natatorial contests are a feature of the People's Day sports.




A RADICAL change in the stroke of the New York Athletic Club crews has been introduced by Athletic Director Giannini this season.

The change may be briefly described as follows: Horizontal slides are being used in place of the inclined; the foot stretches are now on an angle of forty-five degrees, in place of thirty-two as heretofore used.

In sliding the men only go sixteen in place of twenty inches, and a longer body swing is required on both ends of the stroke.

These changes are in conformity with the English ideas and appear to be an improvement on the old style of rowing previously in vogue at Travers Island.

In order to give the change in style full effect it has been necessary to reduce the width of the oar-blades from 7¼ to 6 inches. This gives a better grip on the water, at the same time making it easier to pull the stroke through and finish.

The eight-oared Junior crew are progressing favorably in training. They were first put into the '91 "Chippie" boat, but it was badly twisted and too small to carry them, so after a week's work a change was made to the '95 shell. The new cedar shell which has been ordered will not be ready until May 15th, but every effort is being made to have it delivered earlier, as the crew is held back by reason of its absence.

Several changes have been made and the crew is now rowing as follows: Campbell, stroke; Hurd, 7; Radcliffe, 6; Hall, 5; Hamilton, 4; Berger, 3; Scott, 2; Bogert, bow.

Despite the energetic work no weight has been lost by the men, and the average weight is now 162 pounds per man, making a remarkably heavy Junior crew.

The Junior double scull crew, consisting of E. J. Keane, stroke, and Campbell Smyth, have been rowing steadily since April 10th. They are now working in single shells, with an occasional spin in the double. They are showing excellent form, and should render a good account of themselves in the Decoration Day regatta.

The idea of a Senior four has been abandoned, and all efforts will be concentrated on the Junior eight and Junior double.

## TO RUN IN ENGLAND.

Walter S. Hipple, who has for some time been a prominent half-mile runner of the New York Athletic Club, will leave for England at the end of this month on a vacation; while there he will compete in the English championship meeting and carry the Winged Foot in the half-mile race. Hipple is a sterling runner, though last year he was slightly overshadowed when competing against such a grand performer as Kilpatrick. On several occasions he ran second to the invincible half-miler, occasionally giving him quite an interesting tussle for the honor of first place. There is no question that he will do credit to the club by his performance abroad, and on public form has an excellent chance of victory. His best record at the present time is 1 min. 57 2-5 sec.; with the exception of the University athletes there does not apear to be a runner in England at the present equal to this time. Hipple will also compete in the principal athletic meetings throughout the country, and should bring back a large share of the handsome prizes presented across the water.

## NEW MEMBERS.

AT every meeting of the Board of Governors a large number of new members are elected. The following gentlemen were favorably passed on at the regular meeting on April 13th:

E. Gates Barnard, Dudley Olcott, 2d, Joseph Herbert, E. J. Fenlon, Robt. Murray, Wm. L. Crowe, James W. Taylor, Richard C. Leaman, John F. Carroll, Wm. H. Morgan, Marshall C. Bacon, Thos. C. Oakley, John G. Hilliard, John Campbell, Edw. M. Fowler, Dr. Robt. T. Morris, Henry A. Parr, John P. Kane, Geo. H. Sullivan, E. H. Parr, John R. Beecroft, Chas Stone, Allison P. Swan, E. B. Seaver.

ADDITIONAL storage room for wheels has been provided in the basement of the Fifty-fifth street club house, and those members who have heretofore been unable to secure racks, can now do so by making early application.

## A TELEPHONE TALK.

DR. SYNTAX.

A. D., 1950.

LOCATION—*Telephone Station No. 4-11-44, Infernal Regions.*

"Hello, Earth!"

"Hello, Dr. Powell!"

"Is that the N. Y. A. C?"

"Yes; what do you want?"

"How about the new clubhouse?"

"The new clubhouse is all complete now, except the roof and cellar."

"So—Alley has won the Pendleton cup after all?"

"No; Weinacht showed more endurance the last fourteen years—and made a stronger affidavit, and——"

"So he won?"

"Hold on, Weinacht didn't win—his long grey beard got caught in the phonograph swearing machine and so, after all, Myrick won."

"Is that so?"

"Yes——"

"Where's that gentle youth, Colonel Gooldie?"

"He's in jail for fast riding on the Bullyvard."

"What? Is he riding yet?"

"Yes. Did his ninety miles on his automotor this morning."

"That so?"

"Yes, he raced all the way home with old white-haired Governor Orr and Perennial Secretary Gulick and beat 'em out. But a cop took him in for keeps."

"Is handsome Jones riding yet?"

"No, he is in Heaven these six years."

"Are you so sure of that?"

"Well—reasonably so. He never swore, you know——"

"What killed him?"

"He ran into Grant's tomb by accident——"

"Did it hurt the Tomb?"

"Knocked off a chip. Say. Doc, how does that heifer story of yours work in hades?"

"Satan had heard it several times before—and——"

"So have we. Say, Doc, you ought to see where we put our bikes now——"

"Where?"

"To soak in the new tank."

"Wasn't that Fifty-eighth street annex big enough?"

"It only held ten wheels. Say, that was an awful fake. The wheelmen made a big kick and at last have got their 'rights.'"

"How is Governor Henry?"

"He's got very fat lately. Lost two days' riding last year, and hasn't made it up yet. You wouldn't know him—he's a yard wide and all grease."

"And little Mac?"

"Mac or Mick? He's gone back to Ireland with the Irish king. He sets the style for Dublin on an electric motor and check pants."

"Expected him here long ago——"

"No, Mac married Queen Victoria, and looks ready to live a hundred years."

"Has Hansen won a race yet?"

"Yes; they say he beats the devil."

"Say! Not so loud, please. What's become of poor old Dicky Nelson?"

"Dick rides a horse now——"

"A saw-horse?"

"No, a clothes-horse; his wooden wheel got burned up in a fire."

"So Charley Eaton is with us at last. When he got down here the first thing he did was to open a hotel on Lake Brimstone, but Sim got ahead of him."

"Sim's not a beauty, exactly, but he knows how to run a hotel, especially in your region."

"Well, I should smile! Too bad about George Wilson, isn't it?"

"Where is he?"

"In heaven—playing a mouth-organ on a damp cloud. He ought to be with us in merry h— with Jack."

"He was too good a fellow to go your way."

"That's so, but Healey is here all right. He rede sixty miles on June 31st, and the old 'un collared him."

"Say, what the devil! Good-bye, I'm off to get a roast on old Batesy, who has just arrived."

"Good-bye!"

(Telephone rings off amid a cloud of smoke.)

CARDS were issued extending the privileges of the New York Athletic Club to the officers of the following ships in New York for the Grant dedication ceremonies: Amphitrite, Raleigh, Maine, Fern, Indiana, Puritan, Massachusetts, Terror, New York, Texas, and Columbia. The officers of the troops encamped at Weehawken and Governor's Island also received cards.

## A MAY-DAY SHOOT.

A RAW, blustering May-Day did not deter a number of trap-shooting enthusiasts from putting in an appearance at Travers Island to shoot for the $25 trophy presented by H. Tilden Swan. The bleak weather and cold wind that blew in savage gusts across the Island rendered the shelter of the shooting house acceptable, and many fervent blessings followed Chairman Foot over the ocean for his forethought in carrying out the improvement.

Eight contestants faced the traps for the trophy which the Committee had arranged to be shot for at twenty-five birds, a handicap of three dead birds being conceded by G. E. Ponvert, on account of his victory in a previous club competition. Even with this impost, the clever little shot made a gallant bid for victory, breaking 23 of the 25 birds sent out of the traps for him. Under the adverse conditions, this performance was remarkable, and his form puzzled many of the experts present, who could only account for his great display by the possession of a natural instinct for the sport. Ponvert handles his gun with facility and aims and fires with great rapidity.

The shooting was interesting from the commencement. Charley Hibbard flattered his admirers by breaking the clay sphere on ten of his first eleven attempts. He missed his twelfth bird, but killed the next; then just as the rooters were anticipating a victory for the popular Charles, he destroyed his chance by allowing four objects in succession to sink into the creek without clipping them.

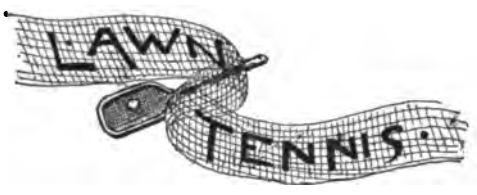
Ponvert failed to kill his sixth bird, and the unlucky thirteenth also got away from him. At this time Dr. De Wolf had missed three, and his chance for the trophy appeared extremely slim, but from this to the finish, it was a battle between he, Bradley and Ponvert. Dan put himself out of court by missing his seventeenth and twenty-second birds, and though Ponvert made a clean score to the end, his miss at thirteen proved fatal, for the Doctor, shooting with commendable nerve, killed all but the last pigeon, and won by the narrow margin of one bird.

Some good handicap sweepstakes followed the important event, in one of which Dan Bradley distinguished himself by equaling Ponvert's record for the afternoon of twenty-three killed.

A very merry afternoon's sport was the outcome of Mr. Swan's trophy shoot, a jolly party celebrating the May-Day by an informal opening of the clubhouse, with festivities in which song and dance predominated.

I. B. Brennan proved an efficient referee, while E. J. Giannini kept the score as follows:

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| G. E. Ponvert | 1 1 1 1 1 o 1 1 1 1 1 1 o 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 23 | 2 | Scr. | 23 |
| D. I. Bradley | 1 1 1 o o 1 1 o 1 1 1 1 1 o 1 1 o 1 1 1 1 o 1 1 | 19 | 6 | 3 | 22 |
| C. C. Hibbard | o 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 o 1 o o o o 1 1 1 o o o 1 1 | 16 | 9 | 3 | 19 |
| W. F. Mohr | 1 o o 1 1 o 1 o o o o o o 1 1 o 1 1 1 1 1 o 1 1 | 14 | 11 | 3 | 17 |
| C. R. Pratt | o o 1 o o 1 o o 1 o 1 1 o 1 1 o o 1 o o 1 1 o 1 o | 11 | 14 | 3 | 14 |
| J. G. Batterson | o 1 1 o o o o o o 1 o o 1 1 o o o o 1 1 o 1 1 o 1 | 10 | 15 | 3 | 13 |
| J. F. Baudoine | o o 1 o o o o o 1 1 1 o o 1 o o o o o 1 1 1 o o o | 8 | 17 | 3 | 11 |




DESPITE the increased activity in other sports, lawn tennis fairly holds its own as a popular club pastime. The fine April weather has induced players to make an early commencement, and each succeeding week there has been a noticeable increase in the number of experts on the courts.

Chairman Ralph Hickok announces that the members' spring handicap tournament for singles and doubles will be held at Travers Island beginning Saturday afternoon, May 29th. The finals are arranged to take place on June 12th. A good entry list is expected, and the event should produce some interesting sport. Members desiring to enter, will please send their names to Ralph Hickok, chairman Lawn Tennis Committee.

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## JOHN FLANAGAN.

ONE of the latest and most important additions to the club's athletic team is John Flanagan, holder of the English and Irish championships and world's record for throwing the 16-pound hammer. Flanagan has decided to make the United States his home for future time, and to earn as much credit as lies within his power for the New York A. C. in the domain of heavy-weight exercise.

That Flanagan is the most scientific weight thrower alive to-day, there is not the least shadow of doubt, and experts who are competent to judge, vote him, when manipulating the missile, a representative embodiment of scientific muscular exertion. Furthermore, he has, strictly speaking, completely revolutionized the game of hammer-throwing by introducing successfully the style of double revolution in the circle. But it is not alone as a hammer-thrower that Flanagan excels as an athlete. In other branches he has been pre-eminent, and has won prizes at sprinting, jumping, and almost every game known to modern devotees of physical culture.

Flanagan was born in the early part of December, 1867, at Killreedy, Kilmallock County, Limerick, Ireland, and owes a good deal of his present development to the invigorating breeze of the historic Galtees. He stands 5 feet 9½ inches with his shoes, has a chest measurement of 40 inches, which he can expand without much effort to 45 inches. He weighs 203 pounds in his athletic clothes, but this amount of avoirdupois is so evenly distributed over his body that no one would ever imagine he weighed so much. Flanagan made his debut in the athletic arena as early as 1889. The occasion was the annual sports of the Herbertstown Athletic Club, where the erstwhile novice secured two first prizes—putting 28-pound weight the good distance of 30 feet, and running long jump, distance 20 feet 4 inches. A complete record of Flanagan's achievements since that time would fill an entire number of this journal, but the following are the athlete's best record in each department of athletics in which he has ever appeared:

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|---|---|
| 100-yard dash | 10 3-5 seconds |
| 220-yard dash | 22 4-5 seconds |
| Running broad jump | 22 feet 10 inches |
| Running hop, step and jump | 48 ft. ½ in. |
| Putting 16-lb. shot | 42 feet |
| Putting 28-lb. shot, with follow | 34 ft. 8 in. |
| Slinging 56-lb. shot with follow | 33 ft. 8 in. |
| Slinging 56-lb. (from stand) without follow, using two hands | 28 ft. ½ in. |
| Throwing 16-lb. hammer, 9-ft. circle | 147 ft. |
| Throwing 16-lb. hammer, unlimited run and follow | 156 ft. 4 in. |

These last two records are of such astounding magnitude that one has to be a hammer-thrower to appreciate them; especially the latter, which it is safe to predict will stand unequaled "not for an age, but for all time."

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AMONG the improvements to Travers Island this year is the re-surfacing of the running track. The work has been going on for some time and the cinders should be well packed and the track in fast condition for the spring games, on June 5th.



## REGULARS VS. LOBSTERS.

FITZSIMMONS, the big Aquarium lobster, died on the night of April 12th. Being put on ice and in shallow water had so undermined his system that he never rallied from the shock caused by the Regulars defeating the Lobsters on that evening. Captain Breck and three other Lobsters pointed the finger of scorn at their star bowler, Ames, after the second game and said, "You did it." The Regulars only won that game by thirteen pins, after the Lobsters had refused to accept a handicap. J. H. Bell, one of the Regular's crack bowlers, had fallen off a bicycle and sprained his bowling thumb rather than run the risk of defeat. He was equally valuable to his team as umpire, calling fouls on the Lobsters with an unscrupulous regularity that even excelled Sam Stewart's record. The climax was reached, "however," when Regular Vilmar was allowed three balls to make a spare.

The rooting was fast and furious throughout the evening, one supporter of the Lobsters being specially imported from London for the occasion.

The score:

APRIL 12, 1897.

| REGULARS. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d | LOBSTERS. | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Stewart | 136 | 120 | 113 | Carter | 117 | 174 | 132 |
| Vilmar | 198 | 146 | 186 | Lyons | 135 | 165 | 149 |
| Brown | 160 | 181 | 148 | Breck | 137 | 171 | 129 |
| Wilmarth | 174 | 179 | 138 | Halpin | 156 | 137 | 128 |
| Cowperthw't | 189 | 160 | 123 | Ames | 139 | 126 | 131 |
| Total | 857 | 786 | 708 | Total | 684 | 773 | 669 |

W. F. SHAW defeated P. G. Wilmarth in rolling off the tie for the club bowling championship, winning the final game by nine pins. Neither of the contestants bowled up to form, the highest score made in the three games being 167.

The scores were:

**First Game—Wilmarth, 167; Shaw, 160.**
**Second Game—Shaw, 167; Wilmarth, 147.**
**Third Game—Shaw, 159; Wilmarth, 150.**

## DEATH OF JOHN V. CRUM.

A DISPATCH from Des Moines, Iowa, gives the sad intelligence of the death from appendicitis of John V. Crum, one of the representatives of the New York Athletic Club in the International games held in 1895.

Though only in New York for a short while, Mr. Crum's athletic prowess brought him into general notice, and his pleasant, unassuming manner quickly made him a general favorite.

Crum had moved to Des Moines two months ago from his native place, Bedford, where he held the office of City Attorney. He aspired to further honors on the running path, and a week ago went out with some local athletes and joined them in running and jumping. He was taken ill and removed to the hospital next day.

He was a graduate of the University of Iowa. While there he developed such speed that he was thought to be the peer of John Owen, Jr., and Luther H. Cary, the fastest amateur sprinters, who up to that time had "come out of the West." At the 1894 championship meet of the Western Intercollegiate Association Crum won the 100-yard run in 10 1-5 seconds, and the 220-yard run in 22 2-5 seconds. The same year he captured the A. A. U. Central Association championships at the same distances in 10 2-5 and 26 1-5 seconds respectively. But these performances were dwarfed by his achievements at the intercollegiate games, Berkeley Oval, May, 1895, when he electrified the Eastern critics by winning the 100-yard event in 10 seconds, and the 220-yard dash in 22 seconds. In the latter event some of the watchholders timed him as running a couple of fractions faster.

Crum then returned to the West and renewed his titles to all the championships he held. At the Western intercollegiate meet he captured the short sprint in 10 seconds, the 220-yard dash in 22 seconds, and covered these distances at the Central Association tournament in 10 seconds and 21 4-5 seconds respectively. When the New York A. C. started to organize a team to meet the Britishers later in 1895, Crum was invited to join the forces at Travers Island. All who saw Crum run against Wefers were convinced that the Western flyer was not nearly in such good form as he showed at the Oval and elsewhere

earlier in the season, and he apparently thought so himself, judging by his resolve to resume training this season and have another try for championship honors.

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THE coasting match proved such a success last year that the "Club Journal," in the hope of repeating it, has offered the Bicycle Committee two prizes for a coasting match, to be held in the month of June. Particulars of the event will be announced later.

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## PERSONAL.

Mr. Frank L. Slazenger was saved all trouble in disposing of his '96 wheel by an enterprising and audacious thief, who slipped off with it while Mr. Slazenger turned his head for a second from a window fronting on the street. The abductor was evidently a scorcher, for a few moments later, when the victim dashed out on the street, there was no sign of him. The daring nature of the theft points a moral for other wheelmen, who should recollect that if they leave their wheels unwatched for a minute, they leave them a minute too long.

A curious object lesson in the evolution of the wheel was given by a trio who made a trip to Travers Island on Good Friday. On leaving the club house I. B. Brennan and C. R. Pratt were mounted on a tandem, and H. P. Disbecker on a single. How the transition occurred is not quite plain, but the tandem riders arrived at the Island on single wheels, while Disbecker's mount had changed to a hansom cab. Base rumor says that Disbecker grew weary at Strong Arm Kelly's and punctured his tire with a pocket knife.

Mr. J. C. Reed, who died on April 23d, was taken off while engaged in his labors as secretary of the Executive Committee of the Grant memorial ceremonies. It is sad to contemplate that after many years of labor for the fund, Mr. Reed should have been taken away without the satisfaction of beholding the attainment of the object to which he gave so much attention.

The American Orthopedic Association, of which Dr. Samuel Ketch is president, holds its eleventh annual meeting on May 4th, 5th, and 6th, at Washington. Nearly fifty addresses are on the programme, the speakers including most of the prominent specialists in the country, as well as Noble Smith, F. R. C. S., London, England.

Mr. Arthur Schroeder, who some years ago carried the Winged Foot in all around contests, has developed into a crack golfer. On May 1st he scored his third win from scratch in the monthly competition of the Montclair Golf Club.

Mr. John R. Van Wormer, formerly vice-president of the New York Athletic Club, was secretary of the Reception Committee of the Grant Memorial ceremonies.

Secretary John C. Gulick, Louis H. Orr and E. E. Bartlett took a three days' wheeling tour over the Long Island roads, commencing April 16th.

That the summer season at Travers Island has commenced is evident from the appearance there of C. Hodgson Turner and Campbell Smyth.

By an unlimited outlay in clay pigeons Mr. S. D. McElroy has at last graduated into the "challenge" class.

Governor James D. Foot sailed for Europe on the Umbria May 1st for a month's trip.

Mr. W. F. Mohr distinguished himself last month by aiming at two clay pigeons and bringing down instead a couple of kingfishers. Mr. Mohr has since been busy explaining to his friends that he really knew the birds were there and meant to hit them.

C. S. Wills, who won the 100 and 220-yard races at the Princeton open games, is a son of Governor C. F. Wills, and has recently become a life member of the club.

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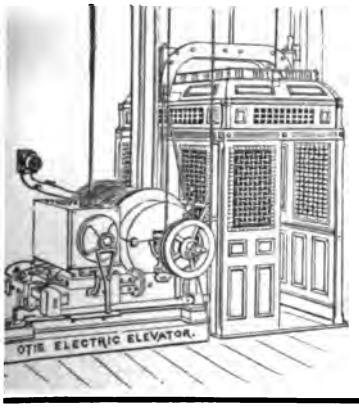
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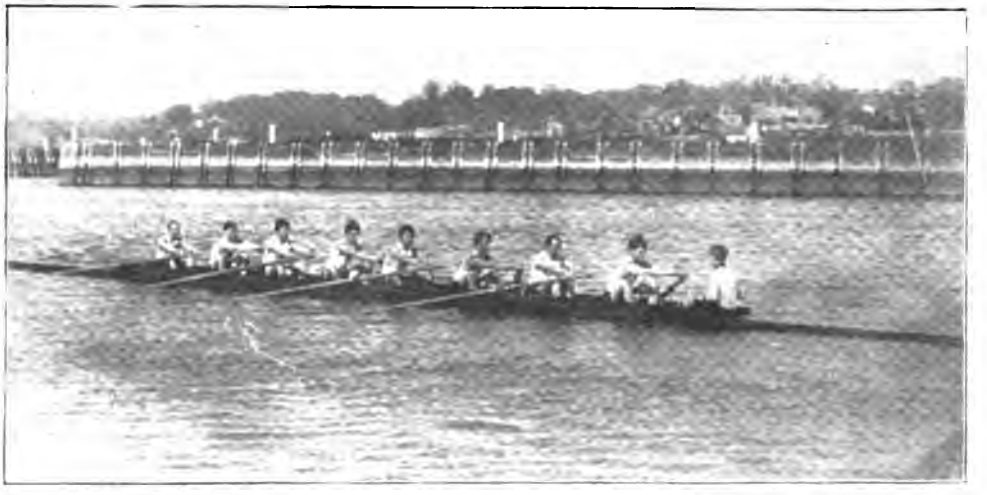
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Contributions of all kinds, on topics of interest, are cordially invited. Reading matter should, when possible, be in the hands of the Editor by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Address all communications to the Editor of the New York Athletic Club Journal, 104 W. 55th St., N. Y. City.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

BUT few club members realize the desirability of a life membership. It means the non-payment of semi-annual dues, and from a business standpoint a good financial investment, as a man who pays $500 for his life membership could not get over 5 per cent upon his money. Well invested his return would be but $25 per year, whereas in a life membership he is practically getting the equivalent of 10 per cent, or his yearly dues of $50. Besides, the purchase of a life membership materially aids the building and finishing of the new clubhouse, with its increased advantages. We think the life memberships are likely to be rapidly taken up as the new home comes nearer to occupancy, and it is well to bear in mind that they are limited in number. Any resident member can get one by paying $400, as his former initiation fee is credited on such purchase.

## NEW MEMBERS.

APPLICATIONS for membership in the club have continued to come in during the past month in numbers satisfactory to the Building and Finance Committee, who look for a full roll by the time the new clubhouse is opened. The following were elected at the May meeting: Dr. Deas Murphy, Nelson Hersh, Henry Bohmfalk, H. Jacquin, J. C. Taylor, F. Cazenove Jones, Waldo Edwards Nason, H. H. Williams, Joseph M. Biggert, Joshua A. Clark, Clifford L. Miller, G. Radford Kelso, George H. Diehl, Jr., Salvador V. Martinez Ybor, Alfred D. Elsworth, Dr. Egbert H. Grandin, George N. Howell, Charles E. Tripler, Pearce Bailey, D. Ford Henry, Jr., H. A. Woodward, Wallace Scott, Frank D. Tansley, Henry Dunkake, C. Albrecht, T. E. O'Keefe, Theo. Butterfield, Alfred Brook Fry and Edward Taylor.

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IT seems almost like sacrilege to jest on the subject of golf. Yet some one has so far ignored all the national associations of the game as to speak lightly and frivolously of such a hallowed subject as a golf course. So the JOURNAL is forced to confess that the golf links mentioned in last month's issue are not in existence, or if the holes do exist they are buried so deep beneath a plentiful crop of hay that even the most recently imported caddy could not discover them.

Since the JOURNAL'S announcement of the golf links, which seem harder to attain than the promised land, chairman of the Athletic Committee, Walter S. Baldwin, has worn a look of worry, now quickly changing to that of despair, as the task of dodging the golf fiends clamoring for the alleged course becomes more hopeless.

The JOURNAL regrets that any members should have been put to inconvenience on account of the statement about the links, although from our knowledge of golf we opine that there would be just as much sport and exercise in looking for the links as in playing the game and looking for the ball. Hereafter all correspondents who are so impolitic as to joke on the subject of "golf" will kindly label their communications appropriately.



## NEW YORK A. C. JUNIORS DEFEAT YALE.

SINCE the days of the famous Chippie crew no more glorious result has crowned the efforts of the New York Athletic Club oarsmen than the brilliant victory in the junior race in the Harlem Regatta on Decoration Day, when the eight who wore the Mercury Foot vanquished the oarsmen of Yale and Columbia Universities, as well as the pick of the aspirants for aquatic honors from the boat clubs of the Harlem. The victory was the more pleasing because of its unexpected nature, as it has become almost a byword among rowing men that it is impossible for a junior crew from a boat club to defeat the seasoned university oarsmen. The advantage of the crew that came from New Haven on this occasion was not only due to their superior opportunities for training, but there was serious question as to whether they were eligible to compete as junior oarsmen. Accordingly, a protest was entered against the crew, not because of any desire to antagonize Yale, but simply as a matter of principle. The fact was admitted that some of the members of the crew had been, if they were not then, substitutes on the 'Varsity eight, and had also rowed in the winning boat in a triangular race, and while the Regatta Committee agreed that according to the spirit and the letter of the rule, these facts would render them ineligible, the Yale crew was allowed to row because a member of the Regatta Committee had written a letter to the captain of that crew defining, according to his own ideas, the status of a junior oarsman. Relying upon this letter the Yale crew had entered, and under the circumstances the Regatta Committee thought it would be unfair to punish them for the misunderstanding arising from the action of a member of the committee.

That Yale was permitted to row is now a matter for congratulation, as it added considerably to the honor won by the New York eight, and stamps them as the best eight turned out by the club since the Chippie crew made its glorious record.

To Athletic Director Giannini belongs the credit of one of the most remarkable achievements in rowing history. With one exception the eight men comprising the crew had never sat in a gig until April 4. They were coached in the entirely new stroke outlined in last month's JOURNAL, which is a modification of the English ideas of rowing conceived and worked out by Mr. Giannini himself. Under these circumstances to defeat the crew containing experienced oarsmen that sat in the Yale boat, with all the advantages of university coaching and opportunity to row, was an achievement which stamps our athletic director as one of the most capable and brilliant coaches of the country.

The details of the regatta show another victory for the New York Athletic Club, and the most creditable showing on the part of Junior Sculler B. G. Wilson, who was the first representative of the N. Y. A. C. to take to the water. In his trial heat he had a disadvantage in the station, and finished only second, but when the final was rowed he showed much better form, and but for a bad habit of looking around might have been much closer to the winner, if not absolutely successful. When the start was made for the final, Vought, of the Atalanta Boat Club, immediately took the lead, and it was not until two-thirds of the course had been covered, and Wilson's boat was off the Nonpareil float, which held a large crowd of enthusiastic New York men, that the youngster spurted in response to the cheers of his club mates, and, drawing away from the other two men, who were keeping him close company, went in hot pursuit of the leader, who, however, had too good a lead to be overcome, and Wilson was beaten by nearly two lengths in 6 min. 49 1-2 sec.

There was an air of confidence about the spectators on the float, when Eddy Keane and Cam Smyth stepped into their double scull shell and rowed down to the start in the junior race. Both are finished oarsmen, with an immense supply of determination to back them up if a hard finish is necessary, and not a doubt was entertained of their

being the first crew to cross the finish line. A long delay at the start was occasioned by the Nassau Boat Club, who were finally disqualified for fouling the Harlem Rowing Club. Then the two remaining crews were again started, and the New York double began to forge ahead with a steady finished stroke. When they reached the Nonpareil float there was just daylight between the two boats, and the cheers from the float caused the double to increase their energies, and they quickly rowed away from the Harlems and won by about four lengths in 5 min. 45 1-2 sec.

The excitement was intense as the eight sturdy juniors prepared to launch their boat for the struggle, which was recognized as the great event of the day. Their club mates gathered around them and whispered words of encouragement, which were scarcely needed as the boys were evidently full of pluck and determination. The Yale crew rowed by before the New Yorks took the water, and, of course, were subject to criticism which was made rather to cheer up our own crew than to depreciate the merit of the New Haven boys, who certainly looked in great shape and fit to row a good race. The interest gathered in intensity as the crews took their places at the start which, for this race, was made at the McComb's Dam Bridge, the tide having just begun to ebb, and the cry of "They're off" seemed to set every muscle tingling as the forty men burst away to a perfect start. As they neared the float where the New York rooters were gathered a cry went up "The New Yorks lead," but if they led it could only have been by inches, for as they reached the float a glance at the flashing blades showed the five boats to be in almost perfect alignment. Our eight had the New York station, and their oars almost touched the float as Graham Smyth steered them delicately between that and the Yale crew, their most dangerous opponents. Both crews were rowing beautifully, and as they came in the line of sight it was seen that the collegians' boat was a foot or two ahead. Wild yells of encouragement from the New York men seemed to spur the oarsmen on, and, with a grand effort, they seemed to lift the boat until it shot by Yale's before they had fairly passed the float. That was practically the winning stroke. With the boat's nose once in front the New Yorks worked like machines, and, rowing a steady thirty-six stroke, with a fine body swing, gradually drew away from Yale, until at the Y. M. C. A. boathouse a half a length's advantage had been gained. From that time on it was just a question of keeping it up. The crew being encouraged to do this by the cheers of another crowd of New York supporters on board the tug Harlem River, some of whom nearly fell overboard in their frantic efforts to encourage the club boat, which eventually crossed the line three-quarters of a length ahead of Yale, the Bohemians being third, a length further behind; time 5 min. 36 1-2 sec.

Among the New York Athletic Club men who were present were: Bartow S. Weeks, John H. Abeel, Robert Stoll, W. H. Pinckney, G. F. Booth, F. B. Williams, G. Schwegler, E. Valentine, G. D. Phillips, J. R. Crawford, L. H. Seaman, A. Keane, E. P. Reynolds, R. D. Radcliffe, R. Walden, C. G. Bothner, Dr. E. W. Knickerbocker, F. W. Howard, O. J. Stephens, R. C. Kammerer, E. F. Haubold, H. E. Toussaint, J. C. O'Brien, F. L. Slazenger, W. F. Rudolphy, S. Stewart, G. M. Breck, M. Kaesche, A. J. Kerwin and C. R. Pratt.

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## OPENING DAY.

OPENING day at Travers Island was a complete success, and augurs well for a lively and enjoyable season. All the afternoon a crowd grouped around the shooting traps, where many interesting matches were decided, while the baseball division, under the command of A. J. Kerwin, did some preliminary skirmishing on the infield. The visitors also paid much attention to the work of the lusty Juniors, who were driving the eight-oared shell along to the accompaniment of the martial tones of Director Giannini, emitted from the newly adopted megaphone.

Every stage arriving at the Island brought its quota of visitors, and the rotunda was crowded. The musical programme arranged by the Entertainment Committee concluded a most enjoyable day's fun.

# Our Official Bulletin.

**Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.**

### BASEBALL.

**June 13—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Travers Island.**
**June 19—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Bay Ridge.**
**June 27—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Travers Island.**
**July 3—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Bay Ridge.**

### TRAVERS ISLAND.

**June 9—Ladies' Day—Music.**
**June 16—Ladies' Day—Open Air Vaudeville.**
**June 23—Ladies' Day—Music.**
**June 30—Ladies' Day—Music.**

### ATHLETICS.

**June 5—Open Spring Games New York A. C., at Travers Island.**
**July 4—All-Around Championship of A. A. U., at Bergen Point.**

### ROWING.

**July 4—Cup and People's Regatta, at Philadelphia.**

### CYCLING.

**July 4—Coasting Match.**

## ROUTE TO TRAVERS ISLAND.

ROADS leading to Travers Island are in such an uncertain state, through improvements and reconstruction, that the JOURNAL has mapped out a route by which the Island can be reached on good roads, and which members will do well to follow until they are sure that other roads, perhaps more direct, are ridable.

Take Boulevard to 181st street, cross Washington Bridge and turn to the left, through Featherbed Lane; at the end of the lane turn left into McComb's Dam road. Take the second turning to the right, after passing Berkeley Oval. This is the Fordham Landing road, and, crossing Jerome avenue, leads down hill into Fordham village. Cross Webster avenue and the car tracks to Pelham avenue, with St. John's College and grounds on the left; cross the Southern Boulevard, through Bronx Park, and over the bridge spanning the Bronx, to the junction of the old Boston road and White Plains road; turn to the left and bear to the left along the trolley line, where is the only stretch of poor road of about a hundred yards. Follow the trolley line through Williamsbridge and Mount Vernon, until about 100 feet of the cobblestone road, then turn to the right along South Eleventh street, first turn to the left into West Second street, down which ride to Fourth avenue, the main business street of Mount Vernon; turn to right and follow the trolley line, which turns to the left at East Third street; continue down the hill, cross the bridge at the foot and turn to the right at the white house a little further on. Ride on the sidewalk for one block, then up the hill, taking the first turn to the left, across the Boston Post road, which leads into the Pelham Manor concourse, down the hill by the railroad station and to the right straight over to Travers Island.

## DECORATIONS OF NEW CLUBHOUSE.

THE future is full of golden promise. Notwithstanding the many vexatious delays in the construction of the new building, the Building and Finance Committee has never wavered in its purpose, and has taken heart of grace by reason of the cessation of the late strike which renders probable the more rapid completion of the clubhouse. There is every reason to hope that the beginning of the new year will see the club securely installed in its new house. During the past fortnight the contract for fitting up the principal rooms of the building has been awarded to Messrs. D. S. Hess & Co., of this city, after a sharp competition, a decision on the part of the committee which was fully warranted by the excellence of the designs submitted by that firm, as well as by their assurance that the work would be prosecuted with the utmost rapidity, consistent with its proper execution.

The main characteristic of the scheme is its originality. There is a distinct departure from the conventional clubroom treatment, and while eccentricity is carefully avoided, each room has a marked individuality of its own.

A glance at the different fragments of interiors, which we publish with this article, will give our members a faint idea as to what our new home will be like. Its provisions for the development of athletics have been heretofore fully set forth as being second to none in the country, and it is now possible to place before our members a full description of the various rooms in the clubhouse devoted more particularly to the social side of the club life.

The pride and joy of a clubman's life is his club's home, and when that home is incompara-



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bly the best of its kind to be found in the land, that joy should be supreme. Entering the new house of the New York Athletic Club the richness and dignity of its spacious hall, with its walls and columns of marble, cannot fail to prepare one for the elegance and comfort of its interior, and were we describing that which had already an existence, instead of that which the drawings for the interior finish and decoration of the new rooms suggest, we could not more accurately outline their effect.



DINING-ROOM

The club parlor will be finished in East Indian mahogany, a wood of rich grain and of a warm red tone of color. Appropriately the design is of a pseudo Indian character, borrowing as it does, its motif from the art of India. Its coloring ornament and general characteristics consistently carrying out the intricate yet beautiful details universally employed by the Hindoo artist. The walls are paneled to a height of about six feet, with a broad and plainly treated wainscot, and the beams of the ceiling are supported by columns of red Numidian marble, with hexagonal capitals, delicately relieved with appropriate ornament. In the centre of the room is a huge chimney piece covering a broad fireplace formed of richly glazed tiles, whose sole ornament is a tracing of silver in intricate pattern. The walls and ceiling are colored in deep, full tones, and in their detail bear impress of Indian art. Altogether the room is singularly unique in character, and when one bears in mind the oriental character of the facade of the clubhouse, most appropriately sustains the suggestions therein contained.

Of all the rooms in a clubhouse the library is the house committeeman's bete noir. It is, in all clubs, both a written and unwritten law, that in its sacred atmosphere no smoking nor loud talking shall prevail. Yet the atmosphere of most club libraries is such as to induce, rather than suppress, these two cardinal sins against the proprieties. There is something in the quiet mellowness of coloring found in an old cathedral, which unconsciously compels one to doff his hat and hush his voice to a whisper tone. Borrowing from this suggestion, the library has been treated in a subdued olive color, its transverse ceiling beams held up by a column of serpentine marble, and its bays defined by a geometric arrangement of plaster groins, colored and defined by a proper use of harmonious tones of the same mellow color. Ranged around the room are ample book cases in antique oak, with leaded glass doors, affording a resting place for at least 6,000 volumes. A broad-paneled wainscot, more than eight feet high, connects the cases, while the doors and windows are framed with the same massive wood. "Good books and old friends" is the suggestion, and a glance at the broad chimneypiece completes the quotation, for there is the broad hearth which will contain the "warm fire."

The clubman's delight is in his lounging rooms, untrammeled by the nicities of club etiquette; here he seeks that thorough enjoyment which good comradeship affords. A lounging room, to be perfect, should suggest not only in its fittings, but in its very color and atmosphere the uses for which it is intended. All sugges-

tions of formality should be banished, and all its appointments should conduce solely to creature comfort. It is needless to say that the treatment of the smoking or lounging room thoroughly carries out this idea. Its wainscoted walls of brown quartered oak, its broad and luxurious divans, its warm, golden-toned walls and simply ornamented ceilings become natural adjuncts to such a result. Nor has originality of treatment been overlooked. Above the massive mantlepiece is a huge panel in "burnt wood" treatment, showing a number of Aborigines engaged in an exciting game of lacrosse, while the top panels of the wainscot contain in similar treatment representations of different athletic sports, hinted at in a conventional manner rather than realistically expressed.

The windows at the north end of the room are in leaded clear glass, with a border of brightly colored glass, while in the upper centre of each window in color is the "Caduceus" and Mercury hat. Over the upper centre of the chimneypiece may be found the club emblem—the far-famed "Mercury Foot."

It is sometimes said that where a man hangs up his hat, there is his home. If everyone who in the future hangs up his hat in the entresol of the N. Y. A. C., will only claim that club as his home the capacity of the new house will be undoubtedly severely strained. Yet ample provision has been made for the accommodation of head gear in the four corners of this room. An architectural necessity has compelled the formation of a barrel arch to the ceiling of the entresol, which with its simple color and pattern treatment has become an object of beauty, and one may well pause for a moment's glance about before proceeding to the dining room beyond to refresh the inner man.

Bulwer Lytton truly remarked that "Civilized man cannot live without dining." Thrice happy then is that man whose good fortune it may be to dine in the club's new dining room—a vast ceiling in warm color supported upon red marble pillars with yellow bronze capitals. A paneled wall in Greek red over a natural oak wainscot whose broad panels are heavily marked with natural ribboning; arches right and left of the enormous sideboards whose simple lines are relieved with ornament of yellow bronze—all these details go to make up the whole of a room, dignified and homelike in character. Although the room is of vast proportions, the treatment is such that no sense of emptiness will be observable. A careful study of the relative proportions of the fittings one to the other, it is believed, will bring about this desired result.

Opening from the dining room is the breakfast room, identical in detail with the larger room, but with the oak stained a beautiful "forest green" color. The wainscot is bisected like the dining room with two lines of flat ornament finished in a natural bronze color. The coloring of the walls and ceiling, in admirable contrast to the latter room, is a study of yellows, each section of the wall forming a well-defined panel by the use of a painted Greek border of simple design. Opposite to and balancing a



LOUNGING ROOM.

broad sideboard is the ample fireplace and wide chimneypiece, the whole treatment being friendly and homelike in the extreme.

Each of the above rooms, except the lounging room, has its windows draped with heavy hangings in color thoroughly harmonizing with its decorative treatment and completing the outlines of what will be when fully furnished the most attractive suite of club chambers in the city.

We understand that the water color drawings of the above rooms, prepared by Mr. Horace Moran, Messrs. Hess & Co.'s talented artist, will be on view during the Spring games at the Travers Island clubhouse, when it is hoped that as many of the members as possible may, through their medium, make themselves acquainted with their future home.

## THE INTERCOLLEGIATE GAMES.

THE strength of the New York Athletic Club team was clearly demonstrated in the annual struggle for intercollegiate honors, which took place at Berkeley Oval on May 29. In nearly every event on the programme the winners were members of the New York A. C., and in several instances all three places were won by athletes entitled to wear the Mercury Foot in competition.

After the rumors of the many phenomenons who were to outsprint Wefers in the hundred, it was a satisfaction to New Yorkers to find him galloping in an easy winner, more especially as the popular Tommy Fisher, another member of the club, managed to squeeze home second to the Georgetown flyer.

The quarter-mile was a foregone conclusion for T. E. Burke, who won the International event at that distance, with F. P. Garvan and R. D. Hoffman second and third, all members of the N. Y. A. C.

In the mile G. W. Orton and J. F. Cregan ran a great race, the former winning in the good time, for a windy day, of 4 min. 25 sec. Fetterman placed the mile walk to the credit of Pennsylvania, so that the half-mile run won by Hollister, of Harvard, was the only track event other than the hurdles, in which a New York A. C. man did not break the worsted. The spectators were treated to a sensational race in the 220 yards. It was apparent to all that Wefers had difficulty in holding Colfelt, the big Princetonian, after the first 50 yards, and the excitement was tremendous, as he strained every nerve, without avail, eventually finishing a yard in the rear of Colfelt. It was afterwards learned that the champion had ruptured the sheath of a tendon, and an examination made shortly after the race by Dr. White, resulted in the decision that Wefers would be unable to run for some weeks, and his entry was withdrawn from the spring games. This is the first defeat Wefers has suffered at the furlong dash, and good runner as Colfelt undoubtedly is, there is but little doubt that the Georgetown runner will turn the tables in the near future.

In the field events New York A. C. members were also to the fore, the three placed men in the shot-putting contest, Garrett, Sheldon and McCracken, all being members. The same being true of the hammer-throwing, in which McCracken and Chadwick were both placed.

## YACHTING.

COMMODORE BRONSON has been very active during the past month getting the fleet shipshape for Games Day, when the yachts at anchor form one of the prettiest spectacular features of the day. The "flagship" Trochilus, which has wintered at Port Jefferson, was put into commission on May 27, and sailed down to the island looking as trim as ever. One of the old favorites will be missed from the club anchorage this year, as Mr. H. R. Hayden's Nomad has been sold to a Staten Island syndicate. She was towed out of the creek on opening day, the crowd on the island waving the departing yacht a sad farewell.

The Jester, a cabin yawl, brought from Boston by Mr. Eugene N. Robinson, scored the first win of the season for the club in the regatta of the Huguenot Yacht Club on May 15. Club members who own fast boats would considerably increase the interest in the yachting department by flying the club pennant in races when an opportunity occurs.

The suggestion of a launch race, published in the JOURNAL two months ago, has struck a popular chord, and the event will probably be arranged to take place in September, when a representative entry is expected.

## THE FENCERS' FROLIC.

A MORE staid and serious body of men could scarcely be imagined than our club fencers; when once clothed in their doublets they deal out thrusts and slashes with all the hauteur of a medieval highwayman. Dignity and courtesy are their chief attributes maintained at all cost throughout the season, but with the end of a successful winter campaign came relaxation in the form of a package party on May 14. All the pent-up fun of months was let loose, and the grave signors who adopt "touche" as their motto capered around like schoolboys in the exuberance of their mirth.

Each member who participated in the frolic brought a sealed package containing things useful, ornamental, comical and diabolical. Treasurer Goodhue was entrusted with an envelope as heavy as the bonds on the new clubhouse, labeled "Secret Handicap." These handicaps were so arranged that Sam Shaw, armed with a sabre in each hand and a mask on, prow and stern, began a savage attack on W. D. Bourne, who declined to concede such enormous odds. After Warrior Shaw had been stripped of his superfluous accoutrements, Mr. Bourne sailed in and vanquished him, as well as C. G. Bothner, R. O. Haubold, F. L. Slazenger, W. T. Heintz and a few other champions who were lying around loose.

Then Treasurer Goodhue set to work to make a balance sheet of the winner. He made calculations in Rule of three, algebra and mensuration proved the result by problems in Euclid and the betting odds, and finally drew the winners out of the hat something in the following order: W. D. Bourne, from whose innocent looking package jumped a monstrous frog, which danced around the supper table, a horrible warning that materially reduced the amount of liquor consumed; W. Duffy, second; T. B. Gilford, Jr., third, whose prize was a pair of white knickerbockers, with Valenciennes trimmings; C. Polifeme, fourth; W. W. Patrick, fifth; R. L. Coleman, sixth; C. E. Goodhue, seventh; F. L. Slazenger, eighth; Dr. J. T. Kemp, ninth. C. C. Lyon was tenth, and he says the ladies' silk stockings which he won will come in handy for cycling in the warm weather. C. A. Tatum was next on the list, with a bottle of Keeley cure, followed by W. Scott O'Connor, John Allaire, R. O. Haubold and W. T. Heintz. Sam Shaw was punished for his share in getting up the affair by receiving a bound set of Club JOURNALS for the past five years, with a sentence to read them through at least once a month, while the irony of fate placed C. G. Bothner, the triple champion, last on the list of winners, with a box of famous muscle lubricant as his reward.

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## ASPIRING ALL-AROUND ATHLETES.

FROM all appearances the New York Athletic Club will be strongly represented in the all-around championship of the Amateur Athletic Union, scheduled to take place under the auspices of the New Jersey A. C. at Bergen Point on July 4.

L. P. Sheldon, who placed the event to the credit of the New York A. C. last year, expresses his intention of making an effort to retain the coveted title, while there is a regular epidemic of all-around fever at Travers Island, where W. J. Feldkamp, G. G. Winship and J. A. Larkin are already in active training. There is also just a possibility that J. Flanagan will also carry the Mercury Foot in the event, while Lieutenant Schwegler has commenced preliminary practice, with the championship honor in view. E. B. Bloss, who, in spite of his diminutive stature, captured the all-around club championship last year, is undetermined whether to try for national honors. In any case the event is certain to have a representative entry, with the percentage in favor of the New York A. C. furnishing the winner.

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SEVERAL members of the victorious Pennsylvania team attended Travers Island on the Sunday following the Intercollegiate games. They were escorted by Mike Murphy, to whom great credit is accorded for their condition. Mike was overwhelmed with congratulations, but bore his honors modestly. He will have charge of the New York A. C. athletes again this summer.

# BASE BALL

GOVERNOR FRED HAUSLING, who is the leader of the baseball enthusiasts of the club, has been besieged by his fellow "fans" anxious to know the arrangements made for playing the national game at Travers Island this season. Though no effort will be made to organize a team capable of taking the Giants into camp, still the grass will not be allowed to grow too long around the diamond, as various spirited contests are talked of between the "Hasbeens" and their erstwhile opponents, the Athletes. From among the players in these friendly matches it is hoped that a nine will be selected to meet any teams which may come straying around the Island in search of scalps.

A series of games has been arranged with the Crescent Athletic Club, of Brooklyn, to be played alternately at Travers Island and the home of the Crescent Athletic Club, at Bay Ridge. There is every likelihood of spirited games resulting, and whether the result of the series is favorable to the New York A. C. or not the contests will be sure to arouse interest among the members, as the nine will be made up of players who have long been favorites in club life. A large crowd will undoubtedly be on hand to root for the Mercury Foot nine, when such men as R. C. Fisher, George Schwegler, E. Deppeler, A. J. Kerwin, Fred Hausling and A. J. Moore are in the field.

The first game with the Crescents will be played at Travers Island on June 13. The other games will be June 19, at Bay Ridge; June 27, Travers Island, and July 3, at Bay Ridge. Should each team win two games, a fifth encounter will be arranged to decide the question of supremacy.

A cordial invitation is extended by the Crescent A. C. to New York A. C. members who desire to witness the games at Bay Ridge, and the Crescent A. C. members are offered the privileges of Travers Island, when the contests take place there.

## THE COASTING CONTEST.

THE Club JOURNAL has presented two prizes for a coasting contest, open to members of the club, under the direction of the Bicycle Committee. All contestants will be required to coast on their regular road cycles, with their feet placed on coasters attached to the front forks of the cycle. The manner of running the event will be slightly different to last year's, and will insure against a chance victory. The event will be run in three heats. The ten members coasting farthest shall be again started, and the three then coasting farthest shall be again started, and their positions at the finish shall determine first, second or third.

## FOR HONORS IN ENGLAND.

ALTHOUGH no regularly organized team will wear the Mercury Foot across the water this season, yet the New York Athletic Club will be represented by two members at the English championship meeting, to be held in Manchester on July 3. In addition to Walter S. Hipple, whose intention to compete in the half-mile run was announced in last month's JOURNAL, the club will have an entry in the weight-putting events, as Richard Sheldon, who finished second in the Intercollegiate shot-putting championship, will make the trip across for health and pleasure. Sheldon will compete in the shot-putting and hammer-throwing events, and should the famous Irishman, Horgan, not put in an appearance, has an excellent chance for capturing the former event. Members who are in the vicinity of Manchester on July 3 should make an effort to be present and encourage the boys to victory.

VISITORS to the gymnasium were treated to an impromptu wrestling bout on May 21, when Frank Herrick, the wrestling instructor of the Providence A. A., stripped and tussled with our champion middleweight, George Bechtel.

AFTER a trying season's work among his fencing pupils, Instructor Jacoby has been granted a four-months' vacation, which he will spend in the Adirondacks. The earnest and persevering fencing master is run down in health, and his many friends in the club wish him a speedy recuperation.

## THE SPRING GAMES.

AN attractive programme has been arranged for the fifty-eighth games, which will take place while this issue is in the mail, and with propitious weather an enjoyable afternoon's sport is assured the visitors to Travers Island.

The frequent rainy days of early Spring have had a beneficial effect on the foliage, which never appeared to better advantage, and members may point out the beauties of the island to their guests on Games Day with pardonable pride.

Handicap and scratch contests are being judiciously interspersed in the list of events, and the excellent entries received indicate a series of spirited competitions.

A novelty is included in the discus-throwing competition, in which the New York Athletic Club is represented by John Flanagan and R. Sheldon. The following is a list of the events:

Handicap Events.—120-yard run (8 yards limit); 250-yard run (15 yards limit); 440-yard run (20 yards limit); 3-mile run; 120-yard hurdle race (on grass); running broad jump; running high jump; throwing the discus, 15 feet limit.

Scratch Events.—880-yard run; one-mile run; pole vault; throwing 16-pound hammer.

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THE Huddersfield Cricket Athletic Club, whose yearly festival ranks among the foremost of the year's fixtures, have forwarded an invitation to the New York Athletic Club to compete at the Diamond Jubilee meeting on June 19. Although the club will not send a regular team across the water, in all probability Walter S. Hipple, the young half-miler of the N. Y. A. C., will be a partaker of the well-known hospitality of the Huddersfield Cricketers, as he left on May 26 for a season's campaign in the old country.

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## OBITUARY.

MR. CHARLES E. PARKER died May 11.
MR. D. N. S. BARNEY died May 11.
MR. C. F. LAWRENCE died May 12.

## ANOTHER RECORD BROKEN.

JOHN FLANAGAN, the hammer-thrower, who has recently joined the New York Athletic Club, made his debut at the games of the New Jersey Athletic Club on Labor Day and fully sustained the great reputation which his work in practice at Travers Island had gained for him. The hammer-throwing was the chief event on the programme of the annual carnival at Bergen Point, as Flanagan met the previous record holder, James S. Mitchell, whose grand work with the weights has for years past led to the belief that he was invincible. Mitchell had trained faithfully for the event, but even had he reached the figures which made for him the world's record in 1892 of 145 feet and 3-4 inches he would still have suffered defeat, as Flanagan whirled the 16-pound hammer 150 feet 8 inches, establishing a record that probably only he himself will surpass for some time to come. J. C. McCracken, of the University of Pennsylvania and New York Athletic Club, finished second to Flanagan, with a throw of 129 feet 2 inches, Mitchell being third, with 128 feet 4 inches. In addition to the regulation event from the seven-foot circle a competition was included in throwing from the nine-foot circle, but this rather hampered than helped Flanagan, who having once changed from the Irish method and adapted himself to the American, found no advantage in the increase of turning space. In this style the former champion was also defeated by two N. Y. A. C. men, C. Chadwick throwing 131 feet 1 1-4 inches and J. C. McCracken 126 feet 8 1-2 inches. In the 220-yard hurdle race there was a dead heat for first place between J. D. Winsor, Jr., University of Pennsylvania, and A. W. Smith, New York A. C., which was won by Smith in the run-off. Colfelt's running was also a feature of the games, and his 31 1-5 seconds on a wet track was certainly a good performance.

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BEGINNING Wednesday, June 2 (Ladies' Day) and every Wednesday thereafter during the season, music will be provided at Travers Island.

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INFORMATION regarding two club badges found recently may be obtained at the office.

ON June 1 Mr. J. E. Foster, formerly steward of the St. Andrew's Hotel, took charge of the catering department of the club. Mr. Foster is a practical hotel steward of many years' experience, and the Restaurant Committee bespeak the generous support of the members in his efforts to please.

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NOT a single game of water polo was played by the New York Athletic Club champion team last season. The fact that no club had the temerity to challenge our champions, even under changed rules, which deprives the game of many scientific features, speaks volumes for the awe in which the team is held. Water polo appears to be the one game in which the New York Athletic Club is without a rival.

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IN addition to the music on every Ladies' Day the Entertainment Committee has arranged for two special evenings during the summer, when a more extensive programme will be presented for the enjoyment of those who, through choice or necessity, are spending the summer months in town. On June 16 the attraction at Travers Island will be an open-air vaudeville, and on July 14 a band concert will take place.

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## PERSONAL.

THE progeny of New York A. C. governors are prone to distinguish themselves as athletes. Following in the footsteps of Milton Whitely, T. Hamilton Burch, Jr., E. W. Kearney, Jr., and C. S. Wills, is Fisher Goodhue, son of our treasurer, who, though the smallest boy in Craigie school, took second place in the all-around championship of the school. The events competed in were wrestling, parallel bars, tumbling and bag punching.

VICE-COMMODORE F. T. ADAMS, an old life member of the N. Y. A. C., is in command of the Atlantic Yacht Club this season, owing to the absence of Commodore Gould in Europe, while General Watson, our vice-president, is with Commodore Adams on his well-known schooner Sachem, as fleet captain. They are progressive club men.

THE other day a friend met Sam Scoville, whose recent encounter with a burglar at his home in Stamford is still fresh in the memory of N. Y. A. C. members. Sam is supposed to have blazed away at the burglar for some time, the only tangible evidence being a bullet wound in his own side. An unkind critic suggested that he dreamed of the burglars and shot himself in his sleep, but the Junior Sam negatived this theory, and, with the air of a "forty-niner," remarked: "If I had had my own gun, I would have filled him full of holes."

GOVERNOR HOWARD FROTHINGHAM, who is Fish Commissioner for the State of New Jersey, created a sensation at the clubhouse on May 12 when twenty monstrous shad arrived. The fish were the result of the Commissioner's visit to the hatcheries at Closter, N. J., and were all fine specimens.

MR. CHARLES E. KNOBLAUCH, owner of the launch Aurelia, says that he has chartered the boat to Frank O. Roe for the season. Mr. Roe was generally understood to be the owner of the Aurelia, but "Knobbey's" persistent occupation has so worked upon his mind that he considers himself proprietor.

MR. WILLIAM WOOD, formerly secretary-treasurer, and one of the pillars of the New York Athletic Club a decade ago, sailed on the St. Louis on June 2 to witness the Jubilee celebration in England.

COMMODORE C. T. WILLS, of the Indian Harbor Yacht Club, is one of our valuable governors and a member of the Building and Finance Committee.

ONE of the foremost patrons of the turf in this country to-day, and one who has done much to advance it to a high plane, is Mr. August Belmont, our former president.

MR. A. KITZ sailed, in company with Mr. A. A. White, for England on the Britannic May 26.




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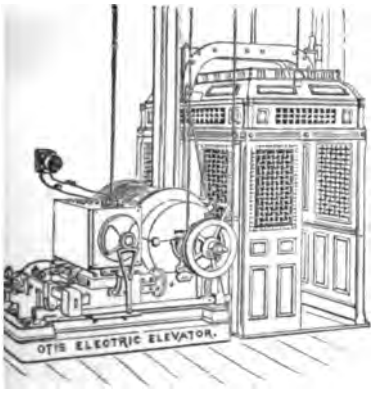
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## PROPOSED GRAND PLAZA FRONTING THE NEW CLUBHOUSE.

COMMISSIONER of Public Works Collis has submitted to Mayor Strong a plan for a grand plaza in the centre of New York city, with the request that it be referred to the Park Department. The scheme does not involve taking a foot of private property, as all the land included in it is owned by the city. The Commissioner gives this description of his project:

"My scheme is to lay out this plaza at the southern end of Central Park, and to include all that area between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-second streets and Fifth and Eighth avenues. Apart from the attractiveness of the location, you will provide five avenues of approach from the south to the park—one of them (Fifth avenue) being devoted exclusively to private vehicles; another (Sixth avenue) being the terminus of one branch of the elevated railway system, and the other three (Seventh and Eighth avenues and Broadway) accommodating surface railways, with quick motive power. All of these avenues in the near future will be laid with the most improved modern pavement. On the west, where Eighth avenue and Broadway converge, and on the east where Fifth avenue intersects Fifty-ninth street, there are already two large reservations owned by the city, which most appropriately contribute to the general scheme.

"Along the centre of this open space, I would construct a raised stone platform for the use of pedestrians, open only at the intersection of the bisecting avenues. These platforms from time to time will become the sites of monuments, fountains and memorials, erected by public and private enterprise. The sidewalks should be of similar material, the roadway of the best, smooth and noiseless pavement known, and the whole area illuminated by electricity.

"I also enclose you a careful estimate, prepared by Mr. Webster, engineer in charge of street openings, from which you will learn from his opinion the aggregate expenditure would not exceed $1,250,000."

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## NEW MEMBERS.

AT the regular meeting of the Board of Governors, held June 8th, the following gentlemen were elected to membership:

Life.—C. G. Meyer, J. G. White.

Resident.—Henry B. Baker, Dr. Percy R. Bolton, Frank G. Curtis, E. G. Fabbri, Geo. W. Knoblauch, Chas. E. Lockwood, J. J. Manning, Frank W. Mitchell, Henry E. Mooney, Edwin P. Price, David Y. Swainson, Putnam Bradley Strong.

Non-Resident.—Frank W. Duryea, Geo. B. Hutchings, Sidney L. Lorenz, Roderick D. MacLeod, J. Brock Smith.

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W. S. HIPPLE was highly complimented by the English sporting newspapers for his performance in the quarter-mile at the London A. C.'s summer meeting, June 26th. He finished fourth from scratch, allowing handicaps to a fast field. His time, taken separately, was 51 seconds.

## THE SPRING GAMES.

THE club's Fifty-eighth Games were held under almost ideal conditions. Never was Travers Island more beautiful. Never did the sun shine more brightly and at the same time send forth such a moderate degree of heat. The grounds, the track and the oval were in superb condition, the harbor contained its usual number of gaily decorated yachts and the club members and their guests to the number of 5,000 filled up every available space on the banks which surround the track.

The picturesqueness of the scene was unusual. The grass seemed to be greener, the costumes of the fair sex brighter, and their faces seemed to be prettier than usual. Cyclists of both sexes were very much in evidence, and their wheels were piled in heaps at every convenient place. It has often been said that the ladies at the games of the New York Athletic Club are always an interesting sight, as the ennui that society is prone to affect generally blows away with the first crack of the starter's pistol. This was noticeably the case on June 5th, and it soon became clear that the crowd, although fashionable in the extreme, had come to the Island for healthy enjoyment, and meant to have it. Many were the dainty gloves that were sacrificed in the general desire of the fair sex to show appreciation of a well-earned victory.

The fields in the races were small, and Bob Fisher, who was the clerk of the course, was very busy with his blue pencil. But those who remained in the races were of such calibre that all of the events were interesting. Flanagan, the mighty weight thrower, was the cynosure of all eyes as he stepped into the seven-foot circle and swung his hammer around his head in an effort to break his world's record, made two weeks previous. He won the competition easily, but failed to approach the record. One of his throws, which might have been a record-breaker, struck a hurdle about 140 feet away and smashed it in two. He was expected to create a new record in throwing the discus, but his arms seemed to have lost their cunning, for he did not even qualify for the final. This was probably due to the fact that he uses the double turn just as he does when he throws the hammer, while all the other competitors take practically no turn at all.

M. P. Halpin's win of the 120-yard run was one of the most popular of the day. T. E. Burke, who represented the club in the international match, was the star of the afternoon. He won the quarter-mile race without hurrying himself, in the very fast time, for a five-lap track, of 49 1-5 seconds. He came out tired and not exactly happy at the prospect of a hard race for the half-mile. On the last lap, H. E. Manvel, of the New Jersey Athletic Club, thought to steal the race, and started to sprint on the back-stretch. He opened up a wide gap and everybody thought that Burke was beaten. But the intercollegiate, international, national, Canadian, Olympian and other kinds of champion, settled down a little lower, his stride became a little longer, and inch by inch he picked up Manvel, winning by the comfortable margin of two yards.

W. B. Rogers got dangerously near the record in the running broad jump, and his performance, although not a winning one, eclipsed in actual merit any jump made on the Travers Island oval since his own jump there in the fall of '95. The broad jumpers who were in the competition said that the turf take-off and landing bed were the finest they had ever competed on.

The hurdle race was a big surprise. E. C. Perkins, the intercollegiate champion, was thought to be a certain victor, and had a comfortable lead up to the eighth hurdle. But accidents will happen. He struck the hurdle and lost considerable ground, and was beaten by his college mate, Thompson. George Orton, with his college and club mate at his heels, won the mile race well within himself. And the experts picked him for the winner in the three-mile race. But he proved a disappointment. This race was probably one of the most peculiar ever seen on a running track. E. W. Hjertberg, of the New Jersey Athletic Club, who started from scratch with Orton, left the latter a mile from the finish, and running strongly, soon caught the field, and passed all but P. H. Christensen, and running wide on the outside of the turns coached the youngster into the stretch, when

Christensen sprinted home, leaving Hjertberg to consider the ingratitude of his club-mate.

Summary:

120-Yard Run, Handicap, Limit 8 Yards—Won by M. P. Halpin, New York A. C., 8 yards; J. W. Ehrich, Columbia and K. A. C., 2½ yards, second; B. W. Wenman, N. Y. A. C., 8 yards, third. Time, 12 1-5 seconds

One-Mile Run, Scratch—Won by George W. Orton, Pennsylvania and New York A. C.; Alexander Grant, Pennsylvania and New York A. C., second; Daniel J. O'Connell, Stamford Y. M. C. A., third. Time, 4 minutes 34 2-5 seconds.

120-Yard Hurdle Race, Handicap, on Grass—Final heat: Won by John H. Thompson, Jr., Yale, 4 feet; Edward C. Perkins, Yale, scratch, second; M. P. Halpin, New York A. C., 7 yards, third. Time, 16 3-5 seconds.

440-Yard Run, Handicap, Limit 20 Yards—Won by Thomas E. Burke, Boston University, scratch; H. S. Lyons, New York A. C., 6 yards, second; M. J. Waters, K. A. C., 14 yards, third. Time, 49 1-5 seconds.

250-Yard Run, Handicap, Limit 15 Yards—Won by J. W. Ehrich, Columbia and K. A. C., 5 yards; R. Don Hoffman, Pennsylvania and N. Y. A. C., 2½ yards, second; Irving Brokaw, New York city, 8 yards, third. Time, 26 2-5 seconds.

880-Yard Run, Scratch—Won by Thomas E. Burke, Boston University; H. E. Manvel, New Jersey A. C., second; Alexander Grant, Pennsylvania and New York A. C., third. Time, 2 minutes 2 1-5 seconds.

Three-Mile Run, Handicap—Won by P. H. Christensen, New Jersey A. C., 45 yards; E. W. Hjertberg, New Jersey A. C., scratch, second; George W. Orton, Pennsylvania and New York A. C., scratch, third. Time, 16 minutes 16 3-5 seconds.

Pole Vault, Scratch—Won by C. T. Van Winkle, Yale and New York A. C., with a vault of 10 feet 7 inches; C. F. Hamilton, New Jersey A. C., and R. G. Paulding, New York A. C., a tie for second at 10 feet 6 inches. In the vault off Hamilton cleared 10 feet 4 inches and Paulding 10 feet 1 inch. They were placed accordingly.

Throwing 16-Pound Hammer, Scratch—Won by John Flanagan, New York A. C., with a throw of 141 feet; J. Cal McCracken, Pennsylvania and New York A. C., second, with a throw of 117 feet 1 inch; John A. Larkin, New York A. C., third, with a throw of 99 feet 11 inches.

Running High Jump, Handicap—Won by James H. Reilly, Institute A. C., 4 inches, with an actual jump of 5 feet 9¼ inches; S. K. Thomas, K. A. C., 8 inches, second, with an actual jump of 5 feet 4¾ inches; Frederick J. Groehl, Y. M. C. A., 8 inches, third, with an actual jump of 5 feet 3¾ inches.

Running Broad Jump, Handicap—Won by J. T. Mahoney, N. Y. University, Law, 2 feet, with an actual jump of 21 feet 1¼ inches; W. B. Rogers, New Jersey A. C., scratch, second, with an actual jump of 23 feet ½ inch; T. R. Pell, Berkeley School, 2 feet, third, with an actual jump of 21 feet ¼ inch.

Throwing the Discus, Handicap, Limit 15 Feet—Won by Richard J. Sheridan, Pastime A. C., 15 feet, with an actual throw of 107 feet 10 inches; Robert Garrett, Princeton and New York A. C., 8 feet, second, with an actual throw of 102 feet 11 inches; John A. Larkin, New York A. C., 10 feet, third, with an actual throw of 92 feet 10 inches.

## THE HUCKLEBERRIES ON THE WAR-PATH.

THE first pow-wow and war dance of the Huckleberry tribe was held on the Happy Bathing Grounds on Huckleberry Island June 20th. Each warrior had received the following notice:

"The Great Muck-a-Muck of our Greater Tribe shouts to you that our Reservation on Huckleberry Island will be opened for us on next Sunday, June 20th—the day of the 'Veiled Bottle.'

"The Tribe leaves the canoe-house on the arrival of the 9.45 Steam-horse from the Great City.

"War-paint, Feathers, Fire-water and Cabbage Leaf have been promised by the 'Holy Roach.'

"In the event of a soaker, the Sun dance is postponed to the following Sunday.

"By order of
"Man-with-a-clam-in-his-hand,
"War Chief."

The war canoes, packed to the gunwales, left the mainland with many war-whoops early in the day. The dreaded soaker was foretold by the gloomy condition of the skies, and the Buffalo meat was left behind. The soaker came after the arrival at the island, but as the Indians were in bathing suits it didn't matter much. There were two kegs of consolation on the ice and nobody cared. After patroling the reservation in single file and failing to discover any traces of the landing of a hostile tribe, the Indians set sail for home, and then discussed the buffalo meat, which Jake had prepared as Jake only can. War dances will be held weekly during the summer.

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## YACHTING.

A MERCURY-FOOT pennant flying at a masthead was again carried to victory by Mr. Eugene N. Robinson's yawl Jester in the Seawanhaka-Corinthian regatta, June 26th. Notwithstanding the heavy winds, the Jester carried full sail throughout the race, and covered the course of twenty-four miles in 3h. 6m., winning a very handsome silver cup.

## THE COASTING MATCH.

THE second annual coasting contest of the club was held on Grand Park avenue, Mamaroneck, Saturday, June 26th, and was even more of a success than last year's competition.

It was the New York A. C. that first started the wave of interest in coasting contests. Last year's event was the first of its kind, and it was but natural that club should lead off again this season. The match was interesting from start to finish. A breeze that was strong enough to be called a gale blew down the hill, and at intervals, at the turn, was strong enough to almost stop the coaster in his track. This added to the uncertainty, and, naturally, the interest. There were thirty-one competitors, and three trials were necessary to determine upon the first three men.

The course was about seven-eighths of a mile in length, with the finish over a slight rise to a bridge, beyond which but seven riders were able to coast. The contestants were pushed off from a standstill, and where the foot touched the ground, where the wheel fell, marked the finish. Both feet were placed on the coasters and kept there throughout the race. Special appliances and gears were barred, and only road wheels were allowed. The conclusion of the third heat showed H. A. Woodward the winner by a considerable margin. J. Louis Cunningham was second and Theodore E. Belts was third.

In the first heat Harry L. Howard, the winner of last year's match, coasted further than his competitors, and, indeed, further than the winner in the final heat, but he had the hard luck to strike an adverse wind on the next trial and was barely able to reach the bridge, and did not qualify for the next heat. Phil Howard, his brother, who finished second to him in the first heat, also had the same misfortune in the second.

Some of the contestants in their efforts to maintain their balance, as their wheels began to wabble near the finish, could have easily given points to the cleverest of Japanese jugglers, as no sculling or aiding the momentum of the wheel in any way was allowed at the finish. It was extremely ludicrous at times in watching the coasters trying to benefit by the eccentricity of the variable wind. One moment they were bent double to offer as little resistance as possible, the next moment, rounding the longest turn, they were sitting upright, sailing along serenely toward the crowd that usually marked the longest coast previously recorded.

The little bridge was the point at which the majority fell off. When a rider passed it he was quite sure to bowl along for fifty yards or more.

The club members and their friends turned out in force, most of them having ridden to Mamaroneck, some from Travers Island and some from New York City. A number of outside cyclists were also attracted, and for half a mile from the start the course was lined with wheelmen and wheelwomen. They showed no favoritism, but cheered the coasters as they sped on their way to the foot of the hill, cautioning each one in turn to look out for the many small stones in the road, which were liable to retard their speed if struck.

The ten leaders in the first heat were: H. L. Howard, P. L. Howard, H. A. Woodward, O. J. Stephens, M. M. Belding, Jr., C. K. Alley, J. Louis Cunningham, Theodore E. Belts, Byron French and P. F. Bruner. These men went back to the start and coasted again in the second heat, the finish of which found H. A. Woodward, J. L. Cunningham and Theodore E. Belts to have the three longest distances to their credit.

After carefully grooming and overhauling their wheels for the final heat, the men were pushed off for the last test. Woodward proved an easy winner by more than seventy yards. Cunningham was second, barely falling over the line which marked Belts' attempt.

Woodward's win is a remarkable one, from the fact that he weighs 217 pounds, and rode a wheel geared to 88 inches. Cunningham weighs 190 pounds and rides a 70-gear. Belts weighs but 145 pounds and rode an 80-gear.

The officials were as follows: J. C. Babcock, referee; John C. Gulick, starter, and E. Gouldy, Dr. J. Aspell, Richard Nelson and E. J. Aspell, judges.

The summary:

First Heat.—1, P. F. Bruner; 2, J. Louis Cunningham; 3, Douglas Henry; 4, Charles K. Alley; 5, M. M. Belding, Jr.; 6, Theodore E. Belts;

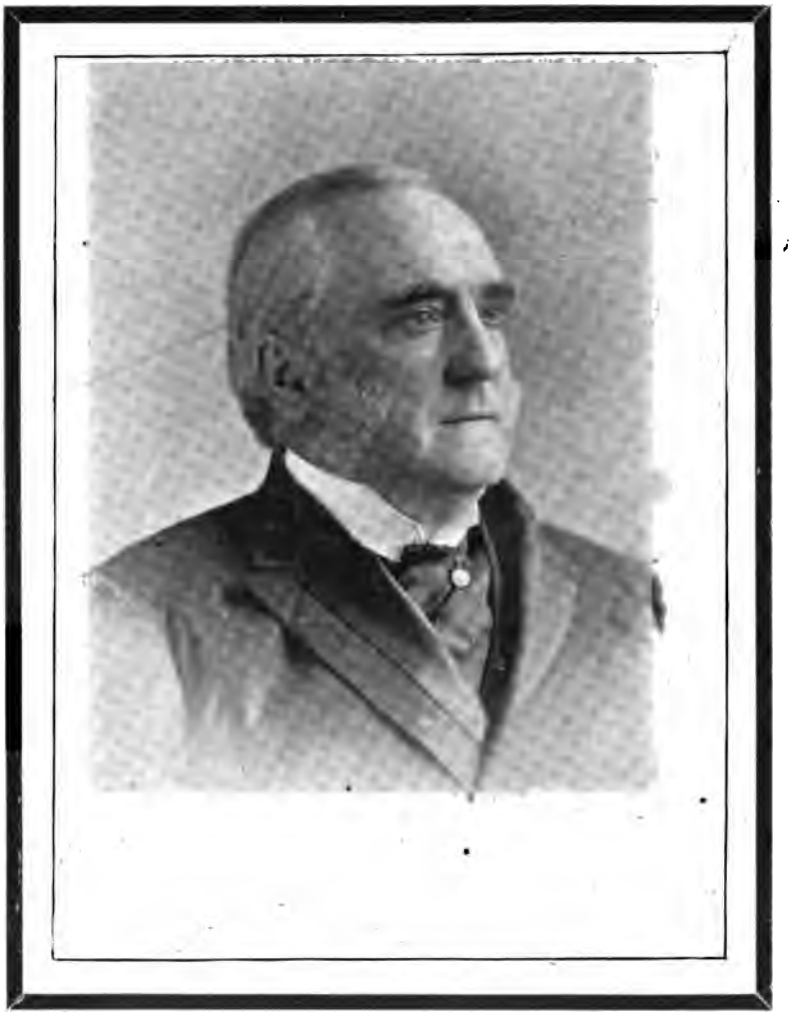
7, C. E. Davenport; 8, P. L. Howard; 9, Harry L. Howard; 10, W. E. Findley; 11, Wallace F. Peck; 12, J. W. Carter; 13, Frederick E. Himrod; 14, Olin J. Stephens; 15, J. J. Campion, Jr.; 16, E. P. Reynolds; 17, Dr. T. P. Berens; 18, Charles D. Allen; 19, H. P. Gibson; 20, Elliott Burris; 21, Theodore Burris; 22, H. A. Woodward; 23, C. C. Ramsey; 24, Byron French; 25, N. S. Towner; 26, R. A. Brown; 27, Charles L. Jones; 28, F. L. Slazenger; 29, F. G. Elgar; 30, Frederick Vilmar; 31, A. C. Fisk.

Second Heat.—1, H. L. Howard; 2, P. L. Howard; 3, H. A. Woodward; 4, O. J. Stephens; 5, M. M. Belding, Jr.; 6, C. K. Alley; 7, J. Louis Cunningham; 8, Theodore E. Belts; 9, Byron French; 10, P. F. Bruner.

Final Heat.—1, H. A. Woodward; 2, J. Louis Cunningham; 3, Theodore E. Belts.

## JOSEPH J. O'DONOHUE.

JOSEPH J. O'DONOHUE died at his home, No. 5 East Sixty-ninth street, on the afternoon of June 25th, after a lingering illness In Mr. O'Donohue's death the club loses one of its oldest, most valued and popular members. There was scarcely a member of the club who was not familiar with the kindly, dignified face of the old gentleman who moved about the clubhouse so quietly, and yet entered into the spirit of the pleasure of his friends. He was elected a member of the Board of Governors on March 9, 1886, and re-elected in 1888 and 1890. He served as chairman of Restaurant Committee and was on the House Committee for four years. He was born January 4, 1833.



Mr. O'Donohue was prominent in commercial and political circles for thirty years or more. In 1858 he and his father organized the Long Island Ferry Company. In 1880 he formed the firm of Joseph J. O'Donohue & Son, which soon became a power in the coffee trade, and from which he retired but a few years ago. In 1861, when he lived in Brooklyn, he was secretary of the first great meeting held in that city to raise a fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of Union soldiers. In 1865 the nomination of Mayor of Brooklyn was offered to him, but he declined it.

Mayor Wickham, of New York City, made him Park Commissioner in 1874. In 1876 he was a Presidential elector, and City Chamberlain under Mayor Gilroy.

## IRWIN A. POWELL AND RAY DAWSON.

IN Irwin A. Powell and Ray Dawson the New York Athletic Club has the smallest, and at the same time the strongest amateur cycle racing team it ever had. Last year Powell was the star of the New York State Circuit. He won thirteen first prizes in sixteen starts. Then he had the misfortune to break his collar-bone in a race, and his brilliant career was brought to a sudden end.

His collar-bone mended, however, and at the beginning of the '97 season, after training a short time, he was soon riding in his old form. He distinguished himself by winning races from high-class fields at the Quill Club Wheelmen's meet and at the Inter-collegiate meet, both of which were held on the Manhattan Beach track.



DAWSON AND POWELL AT ROCHESTER ON THE CIRCUIT

Ray Dawson has long been known as one of the fastest amateur riders in the country. Both he and Powell are students in Columbia University. Dawson won the mile and five-mile races and, in conjunction with Powell, won the tandem event at the Inter-collegiate meet.

After the college season had closed, the two young cyclists were ambitious to make a campaign over the New York State Circuit. Capt. Bartow S. Weeks secured the services of William B. Young, who is acknowledged by the experts to be the best trainer of cyclists in America, and Powell and Dawson started up the State under his care.

They opened the campaign at Warsaw June 11th, and each won a race. Under Young's watchful care the Mercury-Foot riders swept everything before them. At Buffalo, Powell won the mile open. At Rochester, Dawson won the mile open, with Powell second, and together they won the tandem race. At Elmira, Powell won the mile open, with Dawson second; and Powell also won the mile handicap, scratch, after one of his famous sprints which have come to be known as the "Old Seneca" finishes. At Binghamton, Dawson won the two-thirds-mile open, with Powell third.

So it was all through the circuit; the two riders were so evenly matched. This was continued until the close of the New York State season at the Kings County Wheelmen's meet at Manhattan Beach, June 26th. Powell was entered in the Greater New York one-mile championship and was looked on as a sure winner by everyone present. He qualified in his heat easily, and in the final heat tacked onto the pacemaker nicely and entered the back-stretch in second position. The spectators smiled and said, "It's all over. Powell wins in a walk."

But Miller, of the Greenwich Wheelmen, and Babcock, of the Harlem Wheelmen, and several others started their sprints, and passed Powell without his making an effort to follow. Entering the stretch he was sixth man, and in the middle of the bunch. His position was so bad that he was compelled to backpedal to avoid a collision. Then he swept by around the bunch, and, picking up man after man, was only beaten by a small margin, Miller and Babcock finishing first and second. Dawson, who was not eligible to ride in the New York State championship races, won his trial heat in the half-mile handicap from scratch under great difficulties, but was

unable to catch the limit men in the final, the wind on the back-stretch bringing him almost to a standstill, as he was entirely without pacing.

The record of Powell and Dawson's races while on the circuit is as follows:

Syracuse, June 19.—One-mile open, Dawson second. Powell fell in his heat and did not qualify; both were excused in handicaps on account of bad track.

Saratoga, June 21.—One-quarter mile State championship, Powell third, riding with legs all bandages; one-mile open, Dawson, second; Powell and Fearing fell in the five-mile championship.

Saratoga, June 22.—One-mile open, Dawson first; one-half mile State championship, Powell first.

Troy, June 23.—One-mile open, Dawson first; Powell second; one-half mile open, Powell first, Dawson second.

Albany, June 24.—One-mile open, Dawson first. Powell did not ride this track as this is where he broke his collar-bone last year.

Manhattan Beach, June 26.—One-mile city championship, Powell third. Dawson rode in handicaps, won his heats from scratch, but could not overhaul the limit man.

Warsaw, June 11.—One-mile open, Powell first, Dawson second; one-half mile open, Dawson second; five-mile handicap, Powell (scratch) third.

Buffalo, June 12.—One-mile open, Powell first. Dawson did not qualify in heats.

Rochester, June 14.—One-mile open, Dawson first, Powell second; one-mile tandem, Dawson and Powell first.

Elmira, June 15.—One-mile open, Powell first, Dawson second; one-mile handicap, Powell (scratch) first, Dawson unplaced.

Binghamton, June 16.—Two-thirds mile open, Dawson first, Powell third. Dawson fell in handicap, throwing Powell and others out of race.

Cortland, June 17.—One-mile open, Powell first, Dawson second; one-mile handicap, Powell (scratch) first, Dawson (scratch) third.

Utica, June 18.—One-mile open, Dawson first, Powell second; two-mile handicap, Dawson (scratch) first, Powell (scratch) second.

Counting points 5, 3, and 1 for first, second and third places, Dawson has 8 firsts, 7 seconds and 1 third, making sixty-two points; Powell has 9 firsts, 4 seconds and 4 thirds, making sixty-one points, or a total of 123 points for the club, the best ever accomplished by any two athletes in thirteen meets.

Fearing and Bird joined the team at Saratoga. Fearing had the misfortune to fall in the five-mile championship and cut his leg very severely, thus throwing him out of further competition. Bird, who is essentially a sprinter, took third prize in one-half mile State championship, to Powell.

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## THE ROUTE TO TRAVERS ISLAND.

COMMISSIONER HAFFEN, of the Annexed District, has shown in many ways his desire to make all the improvements within his power on the roads under his jurisdiction. In these are included the many different highways used by club members in getting to the shore road on their way to Travers Island. Since the many improvements, the following is thought to be the best and most direct route to Travers Island:

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MR. AND MRS. C. L. ALVORD, of Mt. Vernon, gave a dinner at Travers Island on Ladies' Day. Among the guests were George Primrose, Mr. W. G. Schuyler and family, Mr. J. D. Foot and family, and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Quinn and friends. After the dinner Mr. Primrose entertained the party with his clever dancing.

On Queen's Jubilee Day, June 22d, George Scott, John R. Beecroft, L. C. Leaman and guests gave a dinner and celebrated the event. The room was beautifully decorated with English flags, flowers and draperies.

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Roswell B. Burchard was married to Miss Edith Russell Church, the niece of Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Russell, at Little Compton, R. I., on Saturday, June 26th. Mr. Burchard is an old member of the club, and has long been famous as a canoist.

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Isaac Bell Brennan was married on Tuesday, June 15th.




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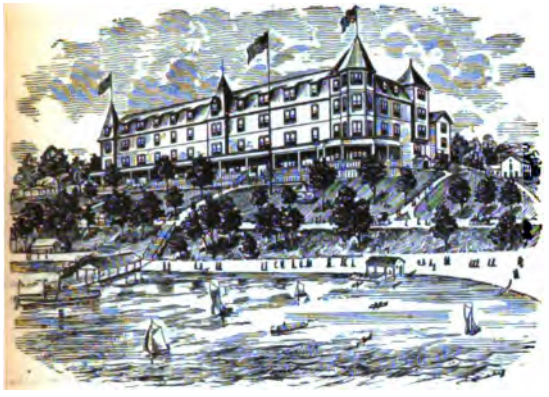
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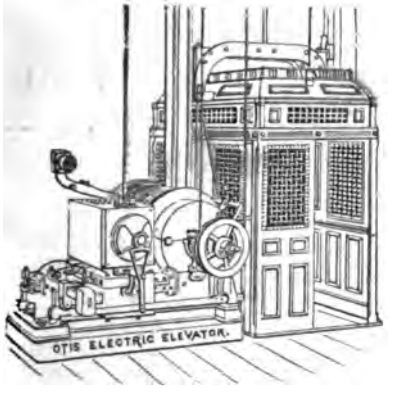
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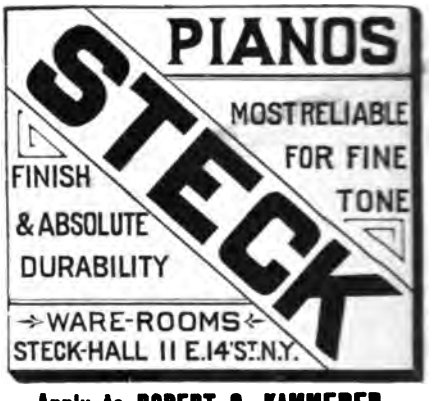
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Contributions of all kinds, on topics of interest, are cordially invited. Reading matter should, when possible, be in the hands of the Editor by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Address all communications to the Editor of the New York Athletic Club Journal, 104 W. 55th St., N. Y. City.

## CLUB BREAKFAST.

IT has been the custom for some years past to serve a table d'hote breakfast at the clubhouse during the summer months. Members whose families are away are thus able to drop in at the clubhouse between the hours of 8 and 11 and partake of a breakfast at the reasonable cost of 50 cents. This season the menu has been made particularly attractive. For the benefit of those who have not yet availed themselves of the opportunity provided by the club to enjoy a good morning meal, the following sample menu is printed, as well as one of the evening menus:

BREAKFAST.

TABLE D'HOTE.

Served from 8 to 11 A. M.

Peaches and Cream. Pears.
Cantaloupe. Blackberries and Cream.
Oatmeal. Waffles.
Eggs in every style.
Stewed Kidneys, Fines Herbes.
Small Beefsteak. Fried Sweet Potatoes.
Coffee. Tea. Chocolate.

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CLUB DINNER.

6 to 8 P. M.

Clams.
Olives. Celery. Radishes.
Cream of Green Peas. Petites Marmites.
Bluefish Maitre D'Hotel.
Potatoes Parisienne.
Sweetbreads. Cutlets aux Gourmets.
Prime Beef. Capon, Giblet Sauce.
Mashed Potatoes. Spinach with Egg.
Fried Egg Plant. Bermuda Potatoes. Green Corn.
Salads, Lettuce and Tomatoes.
Tartelettes Meringue.
Assorted Fruit.
Cheese: Brie, Neufchatel, Cream, Old English, Gruyere, American.
Toasted Biscuit. Coffee.

THE Board of Governors held a special meeting Thursday evening, July 29th, and elected a number of resident, non-resident, life and athletic members. It is most gratifying to note that the applications for the various classes of membership still continue to come in, and members who have in contemplation bringing in their friends to join this model organization will do well to bear in mind that the new house approaches completion. A waiting list will, without doubt, be the result, and the present is the time to propose new members.

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THE flag of the N. Y. Athletic Club has been seen flying from a larger number of yachts this year than heretofore. Yachtsmen report them at Black Rock, New London and Shelter Island.

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THE game of dominoes still retains its strong hold at the city house, and on any of these summer evenings six or seven tables may be found surrounded by earnest players "right up to date" as to the scientific play of this innocent amusement.

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THOUGH the House Committee will hold no regular meetings until the first week in September, General Watson, the ever alert chairman, will keep in touch with the matters under the control of the Committee, and should occasion require, his associates may be summoned at any time.

## NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM.

THE championships of the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Union will take place at Columbia Oval on August 7th, and the Amateur Athletic Union championships will be held at Manhattan Field on August 28th. Spirited competitions are expected at each of these meetings, especially at the latter, when the Chicago Athletic Club, who are this season making a big bid for supremacy, intend to be represented by a team that has achieved a great reputation in the West. Capt. Bartow S. Weeks, however, feels confident that the N. Y. A. C. will be represented by a team in every respect worthy of the reputation they have to sustain, and that a majority of the points will be scored by wearers of the Winged Foot.

In the sprint races, the matchless Wefers will, of course, be the leading string, and no opposition worthy of consideration may be expected in the Metropolitan championships. In the National event, however, the Westerners will have Maybury, who is credited with 9 4-5 seconds for the hundred, and 21 2-5 seconds for 220 yards. Should he run up to expectations, he will, at least, make Wefers extend himself. The athletes relied on to support Wefers in the short distances are E. B. Bloss, M. P. Halpin, R. D. Hoffman, R. W. Moore and Charlton Wallace. They look on paper a formidable contingent, and will doubtless score a few points for the club.

In the middle distances, the club will have as representatives, T. E. Burke, J. F. Cregan, Lane Cooper, M. W. Long, H. S. Lyons and T. B. Turner. The winners of the quarter and half-mile at both championship meetings should certainly be found among them.

For the distance runs, G. W. Orton, Lane Cooper and Theodore G. McGirr will be depended upon to furnish the winner.

In the hurdle races, the loss of Stephen Chase will, of course, be felt, especially as the Western club will be represented by two reputed flyers in J. R. Richards, with a record of 15 4-5 for the high, and A. Kraenzlein, who is said to be equal to 25 3-5 seconds for the low. T. W. Chase, a brother of the famous "Cy," will carry the N. Y. A. C. emblem. He is a well-built specimen and has shown promising form in practice. His performance will be watched with interest, especially if his trials give any evidence of his following the footsteps of his famous brother. M. V. Bastian, E. B. Bloss, J. H. Thompson, Jr., M. P. Halpin, Herbert Wheeler and W. Mayne will be the other club hurdlers.

For the first time in several years the New York A. C. will have a first-class representative in the walk in the person of W. B. Fetterman, Jr., who this season has beaten the Intercollegiate record and also lowered the colors of S. Liebgold, for years the undisputed champion at the game.

A trio of high-jumpers, each equal to clearing 6 feet under favorable circumstances, are Walter C. Carroll, N. T. Leslie and Irving K. Baxter. They should certainly account for some points.

E. B. Bloss, the champion broad jumper, may not be in the best form owing to his recent accident at the all-around contest. He should win if he recovers, but, in any case, J. P. Remington will make a fight for first honors. while the club has also T. W. Chase and Robert Garrett.

In the weight-throwing contests the club has always been well represented, and the following formidable contingent will certainly obtain a majority of the points in the shot, hammer and 56-pound weight events, George Gray, John Flanagan, Charles Chadwick, Robert Garrett and J. C. McCracken.

The New York Athletic Club has not had a thoroughly reliable pole-vaulter since the retirement of Hugh H. Baxter. The following quartette are all near the top of the tree in this sport and should furnish the winner, F. W. Allis, J. L. Hurlburt, Jr., R. G. Paulding and C. T. Van Winkle.

The bicycle race winds up the championship programmes. There is no doubt of the supremacy of the N. Y. A. C. riders, but whether they will be able to demonstrate it on the very indifferent cycling tracks to be negotiated is not so clear. The riders are Irwin A. Powell, Ray Daw-

son, C. C. Fulton Schwarz, H. K. Bird and W. Ottman.

The following list shows in concise form how well the club will be represented at the championship meetings:

100 Yards—Wefers, Hoffman, Moore, Wallace, Halpin, Bloss.

220 Yards—Wefers, Lyons, Hoffman, Long, Moore.

440 Yards—Hoffman, Long, Lyons, Turner.

880 Yards—Cregan, Turner, Cooper.

One-Mile—Orton, Cregan.

Three-Mile—Orton, McGirr, Cooper.

One-Mile Walk—Fetterman.

120 Hurdle—Thompson, Chase, Bloss, Halpin, Wheeler.

220 Hurdle—Bastian, Feldkamp, Maync, Chase, Wheeler, Wallace.

High Jump—Leslie, Carroll, Baxter.

Broad Jump—Bloss, Remington, Chase, Garrett, Feldkamp, Maync.

Throwing 56-Pound Weight—McCracken, Chadwick, Flanagan, Gray, Garrett.

Putting 16-Pound Shot—Gray, McCracken, Flanagan and Garrett.

Pole-Vault—Van Winkle, Paulding, Hurlburt, Allis.

Throwing the Discus—Garrett, Flanagan, Gray, McCracken, Chadwick.

Bicycle Race—Powell, Dawson, Schwarz, Ottman, Bird.

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## NEW YORK A. C. ATHLETES IN ENGLAND.

RICHARD SHELDON and Walter S. Hipple represented the New York Athletic Club at the English athletic championship meeting on July 3d. The former just failed to win championship honors, but his performance with the shot was good enough to have won the event in either of the thirty previous years in which the championship has been given. Sheldon only arrived in England two days before the championship meeting, and then had a long railroad journey before reaching the scene of the contest at Manchester.

The conditions of competition vary from those in vogue in America, rendering his put of 44 feet 5¼ inches the more remarkable. The event was won by D. Horgan, an Irish athlete, who has carried everything before him in this branch of sport for years, but on this occasion his put of 45 feet 4 inches gave him a very small advantage over the young American. Sheldon took third place in the hammer-throwing contest, with 102 feet 2 inches.

Hipple, who ran in the half-mile championship, seemed unable to do himself justice, the cold weather and high wind telling against him. His performances prior to the championship meeting were in many instances meritorious. The following is a brief summary:

June 12—Civil Service Sports, 440 yards, fourth from scratch in 50 1-5 seconds.

June 19—Scottish Gathering, 880 yards, fourth from ten-yards in 1 minute 57 seconds.

June 22—Polytechnic Harriers' Jubilee Meeting, 880 yards, second from 25-yards in 1 minute 54 1-5 seconds.

June 28—London A. C., Summer Meeting, 440 yards, fourth from scratch in 51 1-5 seconds.

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## THE ALL-AROUND CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE all-around championship of the Amateur Athletic Union took place at the New Jersey Athletic Club grounds on July 5th, when the winner, E. H. Clark, scored the record total of 6,244½ points. Though Clark competed under the colors of the Boston Athletic Association, he is also a member of the New York Athletic Club. In addition the club was represented by E. B. Bloss and G. G. Winship. Bloss, unfortunately, was forced to retire during the hammer throwing, as he was struck by the handle of a hammer carelessly thrown by another competitor, and considerably injured. Up to this time he was occupying a fair position in the contest. The total scores were: E. H. Clark, B. A. A., 6,244½; J. Cosgrove, N. J. A. C., 5,694; Charles S. Dole, Leland-Stanford University, 5,434½; D. Reuss, K. A. C., 5,377; E. C. White, K. A. C., 5,157; J. A. Mahoney, K. A. C., 4,623½; G. G. Winship, N. Y. A. C., 3,946; G. P. Smith, N. J. A. C., 3,677; E. B. Bloss, N. Y. A. C., 2,241 for five events.

# Our Official Bulletin.

**Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.**

## BASEBALL.

**August 8—New York A. C. vs. Englewood Field Club, at Travers Island.**
**August 28—New York A. C. vs Crescent A. C., at Bay Ridge.**
**September 4—New York A. C. vs. Crescent A. C., at Travers Island.**

## TRAVERS ISLAND.

**August 11—Ladies' Day—Music, 6 to 10 p. m.**
**August 18—Ladies' Day—Music, 6 to 10 p. m.**
**August 25—Ladies' Day—Music, 6 to 10 p. m.**

## ROWING.

**August 13-14—Regatta of National Association of Amateur Oarsmen at Philadelphia.**
**September 6—Middle States Regatta, Harlem River.**
**September 18—Annual Club Regatta at Travers Island.**

## ATHLETICS.

**August 7—Metropolitan Association of A. A. U. Championship Meeting at Columbia Oval, Williamsbridge.**
**August 28—Amateur Athletic Union Championship Meeting at Manhattan Field.**

## CYCLING.

**August 6-7—National Championship Meeting of L. A. W.**

## THE GREATNESS OF THE N. Y. A. C.

(From the Spirit of the Times, July 24.)

THE compilers of athletic statistics sometimes stumble on curious facts, and of these a remarkable specimen is given below. The official scorers of the recent intercollegiate athletic championship games make University of Pennsylvania the winner with 35 points, the nearest competitor being Yale, with 26 1-12 points, but the organization which scored the most points and won the most first prizes and second prizes at this great intercollegiate meeting was the New York Athletic Club. Of the students who scored points at these games, Burke, of Boston; Wefers, of Georgetown; Hurlburt, of Wesleyan; Fearing, Powell, Bird and Dawson, of Columbia; Fisher, Garvan, Sheldon, and Chadwick, of Yale; Colfelt, Cregan, Garrett and Carroll, of Princeton; and Hoffman, Grant, Orton, Fetterman and McCracken, of Pennsylvania, are members of the the New York Athletic Club, and members of that club actually won 7 firsts, 7 seconds and 5 1-12 thirds, thus scoring 50 1-12 points—15 1-12 more points than were credited to University of Pennsylvania. New York Athletic Club won all five of the bicycle races, and all of the runs except the half-mile. Including the several bicycle races seventeen individual championship medals were awarded at this meeting, and New York Athletic Club won eleven of the seventeen. That almost half of the prize-winners at the intercollegiate championship meeting should become members of the New York Athletic Club while still undergraduate students, is a most noteworthy testimonial to the high standing, broad scope and liberal policy of the amateur athletic club which is the oldest in America, and the greatest in the world.

# BASE BALL

SPECTATORS at the Travers Island baseball games may in future expect to witness gilt-edged games, for Mr. Fred M. Hausling has succeeded in organizing a New York A. C. nine that experts pronounce to be the strongest amateur contingent in the vicinity. The pitcher is Thomas Dunne, who has twirled for Brown University to the dismay of the other universities. Eddie Donnelly will act as change pitcher when Dunne is unable to play. James Dunne will hold his brother's deliveries, changing with Tom Cuming, the well-known Stevens Institute catcher. Between them they will cover third base. A. J. Fauss, another well-known local player, will play second base, while the first bag will be covered by "Bob" Fisher, whose popularity would be sufficient to draw a large crowd to Travers Island, even if he were not a first-class ballplayer. Fred Hausling is modest enough to be looking for a player to succeed himself as shortstop, but, meantime, will play the position, and there is no doubt of his giving satisfaction to the rooters, even if he fails to reach his own high standard of what a ballplayer should be. The outfield will be made up from popular cranks, such as Arthur J. Moore, Eddie Deppeler, Bob Lyons, Harry Lyons and E. B. Bloss.

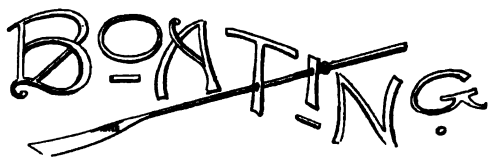
The arrangements for playing with other teams are not yet completed, but a series of three games with the Crescent A. C. has been decided on. The other clubs who will be asked to play weekly games are Englewood Field Club, Larchmont Field Club, Pelham Field Club, Yonkers A. A.

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A GAME of baseball between the New York A. C. and the Pelham Field Club was played at Travers Island, on July 4th, before an attendance of 400. The home team won by a score of 23 to 7. H. S. Lyons pitched for the New York A. C., and struck out fifteen men. The Pelham players only secured five hits. The following played on the New York nine: F. Donahue, catcher; R. C. Fisher, 1st base; M. T. Cowperthwait, 2d base; F. M. Hausling, short stop; R. T. Lyons, 3d base; E. B. Bloss, right field; A. J. Moore, centre field; E. Deppeler, left field; H. S. Lyons, pitcher.



YACHT HOUSES AND APPROACH AT TRAVERS ISLAND.




THE proverb "Pride goeth before a fall," was never better exemplified than at the Cup and People's Regatta at Philadelphia on July 5th. We were justly proud of the magnificent performance of the Junior eight at the Harlem Regatta, and totally unprepared for the crushing defeat which they suffered in the Senior race on the Schuylkill. Viewed in the calm light of retrospect it is apparent that too much was expected of a green crew, and many causes tending to excuse their poor showing appear in examining the circumstances under which the race was rowed.

The physical condition of the men was far different from when they made their great effort on the Harlem. Campbell and Burger were suffering from boils, while Hall had just gone through a difficult medical examination lasting a week. The noise made by the Independence Day celebrators deprived the men of much-needed sleep, and the extremely hot weather also affected them severely.

It was evident from the start of the race that the crew was outclassed. Their form and time was good, but there was a painful lack of life and vigor in the stroke, and a consequent absence of the necessary speed.

The defeat sustained does not appear so momentous when it is taken into consideration that the crew were rowing in a class above their rank. There being no intermediate race for eight-oared shells, it was decided to give the boys the benefit of the experience to be gained by a race in the Senior class.

Fortunately the New York A. C. had entered Wilson in the Junior single sculling race. He scored a brilliant victory, and in a measure atoned for the defeat of the eight.

The race was a mile and a half, with a turn, and in his trial heat Wilson had gained a lead of a length at the half distance, when in turning he went the wrong side of the buoy. Instead of becoming rattled and either abandoning the race or continuing on, eventually to suffer disqualification, the young sculler coolly rowed back and rounded the buoy on the proper side. This placed him several lengths behind the leader, but nothing daunted, the plucky New Yorker went in pursuit of his opponents, whom he entirely outclassed and easily defeated at the finish.

The delay of several of the competitors kept the New York A. C. man waiting under a broiling sun for nearly an hour prior to the start of the final heat. When the men were finally dispatched, Wilson immediately took the lead, and at the half distance, three-quarters of a mile, was about seven lengths in the lead. He increased the distance between himself and competitors all the way to the finish, winning in hollow fashion by nearly two minutes.

The form displayed by Wilson is the more remarkable considering the short time he has been rowing. He was also compelled to use the shell built for Athletic Director Giannini, which is a larger boat than would be necessary to carry to the best advantage our promising young oarsman.

It is hoped that the club will soon add to its fleet of single shells and thereby encourage the development of scullers. It is noticeable that as soon as the club purchased a fine double scull racing boat, two crews of championship class came to the front in two successive seasons.

Wilson will compete in the Intermediate single scull race at the National Regatta, with an excellent chance of success.

The eight-oared crew will also compete in the Intermediate race, Scott taking his original position, which was occupied by Keane when the crew rowed as Seniors for the Sharpless Cup at Philadelphia.

The inclement weather has hindered the work of the crew and but little idea can be obtained at the time of writing of the speed at which the boat travels.

The National Regatta will be held on the Schuylkill on August 13th and 14th, and doubtless a large crowd of members will be present to encourage the N. Y. A. C. oarsmen.

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GOVERNOR LOUIS H. ORR is spending the summer at Southampton, L. I.




## RULES OF THE ROAD.

CYCLING members will do well to memorize the principal points embodied in the following summary of the new rules of the road just passed by the Board of Aldermen:

Cyclists going in a northerly or southerly direction have right of way over vehicles going in an easterly or westerly direction.

Ambulances, Fire and Police Department wagons have right of way in all directions.

Any vehicle or bicycle overtaking another shall pass on the left side of the overtaken vehicle. Any overtaken bicycle or vehicle must turn to the right when requested to do so or as soon thereafter as possible.

Above Fifty-ninth street no bicycle or other vehicle, upon passing another, when both are in motion, shall go in front until they are fifteen feet apart.

In turning corners to the right, cyclists must keep to the centre of the street, and in turning corners to the left they must turn to the right of the centre of the intersection of the two streets.

No bicycle or other vehicle shall stop in any public street or highway, except near the curb thereof.

No vehicle shall turn, nor start and turn from the curb until the rider, driver or person having charge thereof shall have given a signal to be plainly seen from the rear and from the side toward which the turn is to be made.

Every bicycle, velocipede or motor wagon must carry an alarm bell or gong not less than one and one-half inches nor more than three inches in diameter, and it must be sounded when turning corners and when passing another vehicle or equestrian from behind.

No bicycle shall be propelled at a greater speed than eight miles an hour, and it shall keep to the right of the centre of the roadway.

No more than two bicycles shall be ridden abreast within the city limits of New York.

No cyclist shall coast on any of the streets or avenues of the city lying south of 125th street.

Every bicycle using the streets from one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise shall show a light or lights so placed as to be seen from the front and from each side. Each light must be visible at a distance of 200 feet.

No bicycle or other vehicle must be propelled or driven around a corner of any streets or avenues at a faster gait than at the rate of three miles an hour.

No bicycle shall be allowed to carry or transport on his wheel any child under the age of five years.

No one shall ride a bicycle on the sidewalk of any street or avenue which has been flagged, curbed, guttered and paved.

Bicyclists may push their wheels along in single file on the sidewalks.

Park avenue, between Thirty-fourth and Fortieth streets, and between Fifty-sixth and Ninety-sixth streets and the Western Boulevard, between Fifty-ninth and Manhattan streets, are declared to have but one roadway.



WILL THE CHAIRMAN JOIN THEM?

## AN ATTEMPT AT RECORD BREAKING.

LIEUTENANT HUGH D. WISE, of the New York Athletic Club, made an heroic attempt to establish a record from New York to Washington, starting on July 16th. Though unsuccessful, the circumstances were so against the rider toward the end of the route, that an account of the trip provides interesting reading.

Arrangements were made by Secretary John C. Gulick for pacemakers at various points on the road, and the start took place from City Hall at 12.09 a. m. In spite of bad roads, and many accidents to pacemakers, Philadelphia was reached with the rider only five minutes behind schedule time, and Elkton, one hour ahead of the schedule, the lieutenant at this time being in good form and riding strongly.

The remainder of the trip is best described by Lieutenant Wise's own statement:

"When we passed Elkton it commenced to rain, and then to pour. Finally, we had to dismount and walk, and so we trudged along mile after mile, hoping always to get beyond the rain, which we thought might be local. The roads got worse and worse, until near Havre de Grace the tandem was forced to stop.

"Leaving the tandem, Hollett and I pushed on, arriving at Havre de Grace at 5.45—1 hour and 45 minutes behind the original schedule. When we reached Maryland, the roads were worse. They had one of the heaviest rains ever known in that section. About half way between Havre de Grace and Baltimore, the roads were running with water, and in places they were almost washed away. Ten Eyck could have rowed it, but no bicycle could stand up in it, and the mud in places was so deep that it came over the top of my bicycle. We found it impossible to ride up hill or even on the level. When we struck a down-grade, we would get on and ride down through the mud and darkness until we fell off, and then would walk again. Mr. Hollett was to pace me only to Havre de Grace, but when the tandem quit, he said he would stick by me to Baltimore, or even to Washington; that he did not know the roads beyond Havre de Grace, but we would fight it out together. To add to other inconveniences, we could not get a thing to eat until 12 o'clock at night, when an old woman took pity on us, gave us some milk and such accommodations as she had for a couple of hours' rest.

"We arrived at the point where the shell road to Baltimore commences at 5 o'clock a. m., and were then able to ride most of the way, seven miles, to Baltimore, though frequently the water in the road was half way up to the hubs.

"We arrived at Baltimore at 6 a. m., and were told that no one could be found who would go to Washington, or even start out with us in the rain to show us the way. Portions of the road had been entirely washed away by the deluge of the day before, so that even a horse could not get to Washington from Baltimore in twenty-four hours. I wished to ride the railroad tracks, but they pointed out to me how ridiculous it would be, as I had ridden all of the day before and walked all of the night through the rain, mud and darkness. I realized that probably their opinion was worth more than the opinion of a man in my condition. Physically, I felt quite able to make the trip. In Baltimore the storm had been worse than where we were caught by it. Houses had been unroofed, cellars flooded and trees uprooted, and it would have been an impossibility to *walk* to Washington that day."

Lieutenant Wise, undismayed by his discouraging experience, is willing to undertake the trip again, when we trust that the weather will be more favorable for the attempt of the plucky rider.

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THE fast pair of New York Athletic Club cyclists, Irwin A. Powell and Ray Dawson, have been given many long breathing spells during July after their hot-weather campaign on the State circuit in June.

Both riders have fairly held the position gained by them in the early part of the season as the fastest team in the East, and Trainer Young is hopeful of their success in the National championship races of the L. A. W., which take place at Philadelphia on August 6th and 7th.

The following are the performances of the men during the past month:

July 5—Bridgeport, Powell, one-mile open, second; two-mile handicap, second; one-mile handicap, second.

July 5—Waverly, N. J., Dawson, one-mile open, first.

July 17—Newark, N. J., one-mile open, Powell first; Dawson, third.

## THE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE New York Athletic Club swimmers took the long journey to Chicago on July 3d, where they competed for the amateur championship before 15,000 spectators. The team, in addition to Dr. J. M. Davis, who was in charge, consisted of D. M. Reeder, F. A. Wenck, Normandie Murray. Owing to the central location, all parts of the United States were represented in the competitions. Taking into consideration the exceptionally high quality of the swimmers thus brought together, the honors captured by our members compare favorably with the results obtained by former representatives of the N. Y. A. C. in this branch of sport. D. M. Reeder, who has come so rapidly to the front, was the most successful, for, although he failed in a desperately contested race to cross the line first for the hundred-yard championship, his staying power stood him in good stead for the 220-yard race, which he placed to the credit of the N. Y. A. C. F. A. Wenck had to succumb in both the half-mile and mile championship to Dr. P. Neuman, of the Chicago Athletic Club, an Austrian with a wonderful record for long distance swimming, but took third place in each event. The good form of the team, as a whole, is shown by the fact that they were victorious in the most important event, from a club standpoint, the 400-yard relay race, in which they were strongly opposed by the local swimmers of the Chicago A. A., who had all the advantage of competing in their own vicinity. In spite of this, our representatives were victorious by 1 3-5 seconds.

A strong southerly breeze blew diagonally across the course, and when the men started for the hundred-yard championship it could easily be seen that the N. Y. A. C. representatives, Reeder and Murray, had the worst positions, and were bothered considerably by the wind and choppy water. It was anybody's race at fifty yards, but the conditions eventually proved too tiresome even for a swimmer of Reeder's calibre, and at seventy-five yards he was clearly beaten for a place. At this time Renear, of the Lurline Swimming Club, of San Francisco, began to draw away, finally winning by three yards from J. F. Haunty, of the Milwaukee Rowing Club, in 1 minute 7 2-5 seconds, which is 2 1-5 seconds better than the previous American record over a straightaway course. It is scarcely likely that the figures will be officially accepted, as both the current and wind may have aided the competitors. Reeder made up for his defeat in the 100 yards by taking the lead in the 220 at the start, and holding it throughout, although the straightaway course was evidently not as much to his liking as tank racing. Murray was just beaten by Beach, of the Chicago Athletic Club, for second place. Reeder's time was 2 minutes 57 2-5 seconds, which is also a new record.

A series of handicap contests was given in connection with the championship events, and Dr. J. M. Davis proved successful in the hundred yards, with the short allowance of seven seconds.

The following is a summary of the events:

One hundred yards straightaway, in still water—D. B. Renear, Lurline Swimming Club, San Francisco, Cal., 1m. 7 2-5s.; J. F. Haunty, Milwaukee (Wis.) Rowing Club, 1m. 11 2-5s.; R. E. Beach, Chicago (Ill.) Athletic Association, 1m. 14 3-5s.; D. M. Reeder, New York Athletic Club, 4; N. Murray, N. Y. A. C., 5.

Two hundred and twenty yards straightaway, in still water—D. M. Reeder, New York Athletic Club, 2m. 57 2-5s.; R. E. Beach, C. A. A., 2m. 58 4-5s.; N. Murray, N. Y. A. C., 3; J. M. Davis, N. Y. A. C., 4.

Four hundred and forty yards, with one turn, in still water—H. F. Brewer, L. S. C., 7m. 8 2-5s.; W. Blum, C. A. A., 2; F. A. Binder, C. A. A., 3.

Half-mile, with three turns, in still water—P. Neuman, C. A. A., 15m. 6 3-5s.; W. C. Goetz, M. R. C., 15m. 58 3-5s.; F. A. Wenck, N. Y. A. C., 3.

One mile with seven turns, in still water—Dr. P. Neuman, C. A. A., 30m. 24 3-5s.; J. F. Haunty, M. R. C., 31m. 21s.; F. A. Wenck, New York Athletic Club, 33m. 4 2-5s.

Four-hundred-yard relay race; teams of 4 men, each man to swim 100 yards straightaway, in still water—First relay, D. M. Reeder, N. Y. A. C., 1m. 20 2-5s.; G. A. Thorne, C. A. A., 2. Second relay, F. A. Wenck, N. Y. A. C., 1m. 23s.; W. Blum, C. A. A., 2. Third relay, Dr. J. M. Davis, N. Y. A. C., 1m. 22 3-5s.; R. E. Beach, C. A. A., 2. Fourth relay, N. Murray, N. Y. A. C., 1m. 19 4-5c.; G. C. Rew, C. A. A., 2. Times of the teams: New York, 5m. 26s.; Chicago, 5m. 27 3-5.

One-hundred-yard handicap, straightaway, in still water—J. M. Davis, N. Y. A. C., 7 seconds, 1m. 19 2-5s.; W. A. Knowles, M. R. C., 10 seconds, 1m. 23 4-5s.; W. Bachrach, K. N., 11 seconds, 3.

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THE club emblem was carried to victory by Mr. Eugene N. Robinson's yawl "Jester" in the regatta of the New Rochelle Yacht Club, on July 3d, the "Jester" coming in first in the 25-foot sloop class. The "Jester" was once more victorious in the regatta of the Larchmont Yacht Club, on July 24th. The "Jester" was at anchor, with sails furled and awning up before her nearest competitor had crossed the finish line.

## THE CLAMBAKE.

SOME ears of corn were awfully tough,
And some of the onions weren't cooked enough,
That one could understand.
But the only thing that puzzled me,
Was what everyone asked of Johnny O'B.,
"Where did he get that Band?"

The poet laureate of Huckleberry Island has, in a few pathetic lines, sounded the keynote of all criticism on the clambake. That trouble was imminent was apparent when the leader of the band, robed in matchless uniform, with Chinese alphabet epaulettes, was seen walking around the clubhouse calmly surveying his victims, who were doomed to eat clams and say d——s while his hirelings blew upper Gs and lower Qs with a reckless disregard of time or harmony. The band played to beat the devil, and the Huckleberries, they ate to beat the band; but none could beat J. Handball Haslin. Seven hundred and twelve clams, five quarts of lemon soda and two watermelons is the record he established, verified by more liars than attested the five full hands at poker on the steamship Columbia. There were sixty stalwart Huckleberries present at this clambake, on July 31st, and everyone of them is prepared to hold up his right hand and declare that Haslin ate more clams than the band played discords.

In spite of the ex-champion handball player's individual efforts there were clams enough and to spare, and from the Irish King, Arthur Moore, who presided, and the Dutch Baron, Rudolph Schaefer, who occupied the vice-chair, all around the festive board enjoyed the bake.

In addition to the trick music produced when one of the sly Indians put a slice of lemon in the trombone, there was an exhibition of trick bicycle riding by B. G. Wilson and Radcliffe, who did their utmost to break their necks for the amusement of the guests.

Some humorous remarks by Captain Weeks preceded the versatile Charles Ross, who convulsed the little audience with his sketches and stories. Dan Sullivan sang "Beautiful Language" in a most feeling manner. Ed Rice told some unpublished history of George Washington. Maxey More and Arthur Moore also contributed stories.

The following members were present:

P. J. Warren, F. Swain, J. Horton, J. F. Muir, J. C. O'Brien, A. J. Moore, R. Ryley, B. S. Weeks, G. Blair, H. E. Toussaint, J. R. Pringle, C. B. Keyes, A. C. Hall, Jos. Gordon, G. Irving, A. Kleybolte, J. Lowerre, James Henry Haslin, W. E. Hinsdale, E. C. Carter, W. E. Dickey, R. C. Kammerer, W. F. Mohr, M. E. More, E. Koch, R. J. Schaefer, Theo. Guerra, G. M. Breck, C. J. Smith, S. Stewart, W. Holzderber, T. C. Dougherty, J. Batterson, P. G. Wilmarth, T. J. Burke.

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## WE ARE DISCOVERED.

HUCKLEBERRY ISLAND is famous. The sleuths of yellow journalism have discovered that it is inhabited, a fact that club journalism officially promulgated years ago. The up-to-date newspapers have, however, discovered several remarkable occurrences which the investigations of the most famous Huckleberries failed to reveal. A few of these marvelous items are that waves seventy-five feet high dash over the pebbly beach of the island and play tag with the crest of its loftiest mountains. That these waves can be seen with a glass from City Island provided a distressed relative is peeping through the lens, and that there are enough shell-fish to be found on the island to keep five or six persons alive for a week.

To those who have rowed a single shell to Huckleberry Island, the hair-raising report of the daring rescue of the campers by a steam launch has a refreshing spiciness entirely absent from a bare recital of facts.

So far no mention has been made of the Huckleberry Indians. Their haunts are known, however. No doubt the footsteps of Billy Cable have been traced on the rock. Preparations are being made to resist attack, which the chiefs do not know whether to expect in the form of a rescue or an attempt at annihilation. Either is equally dreaded.

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## HEARD ON THE PIAZZA.

MR. VERY ANXIOUS—What was the matter with last month's CLUB JOURNAL?

Mr. Knewitall—Oh! nothing. They just ran out of ink.

## LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

THE Spring Handicap Lawn Tennis Tournament was completed in the early part of July. The committee entrusted with the handicapping performed the duties in the most satisfactory manner, bringing the competitors so closely together that only two points separated the contestants in the final game.

The prizes for the events consisted of glass and silver ware, with the addition of a pair of rackets, donated by Mr. Frank Slazenger.

The following is a summary:

SINGLES.

Preliminary Round—Clute, 30, beat Warner, 10, by default; E. K. Brown, 30, W. W. Brown, 30, 72—70; Freshman, 10, Mallory, 20, 72—61; W. Burke, 30, Donohue, 20, by default; Gillett, scratch, Filley, by default; Kendall, 35, Wood, 35, 72—68; L. E. Brown, 30, Rawlins, 10, 72—70; Cowperthwaite, 30, White, by default; Fish, 10, Lyons, by default.

First Round—E. K. Brown beat Clute by default; Freshman, Burke, 72—66; Gillett, Hickox, 20, 72—65; Smith, 10, Harley, by default; Ralyea, 10, Wilmarth, 40, 72—54; Bell, 30, Miller, 10, by default; L. E. Brown, Kendall, 72—68; Fish, Cowperthwaite, 72—70.

Second Round—Freshman beat Brown, 72—70; Gillett, Smith, by default; Bell, Ralyea, 72—69; L. E. Brown, Fish, 72—66.

Third Round—Gillett beat Freshman, 72—59; L. E. Brown, Bell, 72—61.

Final—Gillett beat L. E. Brown, 121—119.

DOUBLES.

First Round—Gillett and Ralyea, 15, beat Cowperthwaite and Brown, 72—63; Wood and Wilmarth, 45, Bell and Martine, 25, 72—55; Fish and Hickox, 5, Mallory and Freshman, 10, 72—56; Brown and Brown, a bye.

Second Round—Wood and Wilmarth beat Ralyea and Gillett, 72—66; Fish and Hickox, Brown and Brown, 72—52.

Final—Fish and Hickox beat Wood and Wilmarth, 72—68.

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AT a special meeting of the Board of Governors, held July 29th, the following members were elected:

Chas. D. Wright, James M. Dixon, Henry Maillard, W. B. Lockwood, Fellowes Davis, Adolph Keller, James R. Pringle, Dr. John B. Haden, Foster A. K. Bryan, Edgar A. Wilhelmi, Gage E. Tarbell, Oscar R. Taylor.

AMONG the many visitors to Travers Island on August 1st was E. H. Ten Eyck, winner of the Diamond Sculls at the Henley Regatta.

He was accompanied by a delegation of Worcester citizens. Captain Bartow S. Weeks piloted the party over the island. The champion stripped and took a spin in the boat which B. G. Wilson will use in his race for the Intermediate Singles at the National Regatta.

Though the boat was not rigged to suit Ten Eyck, he gave an exhibition which satisfied the experts present of his great ability. The modest, unassuming manner of the young champion created a favorable impression on all those he came in contact with and gained him a host of friends.

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THE Seventh Regiment A. A. baseball team were scheduled to play at Travers Island on August 1st. Only three or four of the soldiers responded to the roll call and the nine was made up from the New York A. C. ranks. The home contingent must have loaned its best players, for the nondescript nine playing under the name of the regiment won by a score of 17 to 15.

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THE Club Regatta will be held at Travers Island on September 18th. The events will be:

Single scull handicap.
Double scull gig.
Four-oared gig.
Eight-oared shell.

A barge race for Huckleberry Indians will be included if practicable. Full particulars of the regatta will be announced later by the Rowing Committee.

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## PERSONALS.

MR. R. E. WIESNER and Mr. Rupert A. Ryley organized a clambake at Travers Island on July 27th. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent in spite of the rain, which necessitated the bake being served in the dining-room. About twelve members and twenty-five guests took part in the festivities.

SECRETARY JOHN C. GULICK started on July 20th from Boston for a wheeling tour through Nova Scotia. The trip will end in New York on August 10th, and will embrace the following places, Halifax, Hawkesbury, Arichat, Louisburg, Sydney and Baddick.

CANOEING is now a favorite pastime of the oarsmen in training at Travers Island. Mimic naval warfare has been a feature of the sport and many engagements of a sensational nature have taken place during the past month. On July 18th, a spirited battle occurred between W. E. Dickey, in a flat-bottomed boat, and two canoes manned by Graham Smyth and Bob Radcliffe and B. Bogert and T. E. Tomlinson. Dickey was the attacking party, and he caused much amusement for the spectators by his final manoeuvre of jumping overboard and capsizing the two crews, the canoeists having to swim a quarter of a mile to a float.

MR. C. JOHNSTON SMITH, "the Blonde Adonis from Milwaukee," on his recent visit to New York, was fortunate enough to meet a few congenial spirits from the New York Athletic Club, and became their guest, with the result that he came, he saw, was conquered, and is now a full-fledged member of the organization. His ambition now is to soon become a sub-chief of the Huckleberry Island Indians.

MR. A. G. MILLS has been appointed one of five delegates-at-large to the Amateur Athletic Union. If the change of rules creating these offices did nothing more than keep Mr. Mills in the councils of the governing body it would be sufficient reason for the amendment. In the many difficulties which have beset the A. A. U. the guiding hand of A. G. Mills has led the organization out of trouble.

MR. ROBERT STOLL has made one of the finest name-plates for his wheel we have seen. It has a plated gold rococo border enclosing a white and red enameled Winged Foot, surrounded by a wreath. A ribbon runs through the letters L. A. W., containing the membership number in that organization, and the owner's monogram is at the foot.

MR. E. H. POMEROY has been missed from the club lately. He has suffered from an injury to his foot, but his many friends will be glad to hear that successful operations by Drs. Guiteras and Bull have relieved him considerably, and he is now on the highroad to health.

AN exodus to Saratoga has depleted the clubhouse since the racing season commenced there, many of the liveliest of our members having gone for the combination of the waters and sport.

FIRE ADJUSTER W. J. SWAN and Manufacturer Fred. Clark have been together a good deal of late. The companionship boded ill for the fire insurance companies interested in the recent fire at Mr. Clark's factory in Williamsburg.

A TRIANGULAR lawn tennis tournament at Travers Island on July 26th, between J. Whalen, W. H. Hurst and A. G. Hummel, considerably interested the spectators. The deciding game was won by Mr. Whalen.

MR. LEROY M. TAYLOR, JR., having slaughtered snipe by the hundreds near his cottage at Cherrystone, Va., made his debut at live pigeon shooting at Elkwood Park, on July 31st.

MR. J. T. FISHER was the recipient of numerous congratulations on July 26th. The news that Jack was a happy father was then in active circulation at Travers Island.

PRESIDENT JAMES WHITELY is taking his summer outing by attending to his increasing business in Wall street and watching the growth of the new clubhouse.

MR. GEORGE BONIFACE has been "resting" in the South for two weeks, during which time the fish and game in the neighborhood have had anything but a rest.

MR. J. CLAMBAKE O'BRIEN spent his vacation at Travers Island, where he acquired an elegant sunburn, which he cured with a preparation of axle-grease.

MR. W. BOURKE COCKRAN was a visitor at Travers Island toward the end of July, at the invitation of Mr. E. T. Gilliland.

MR. D. I. BRADLEY is summering at Lake Mahopac, where he has had golf links laid out for his benefit.

MR. J. H. HASLIN has joined the Huckleberries, and will be a prominent figure at all the War Dances.

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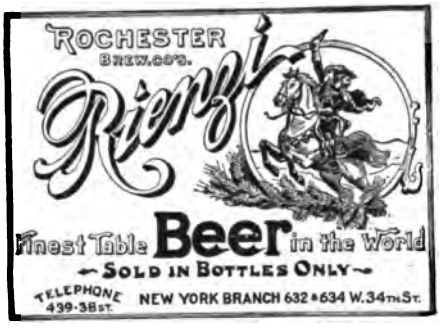
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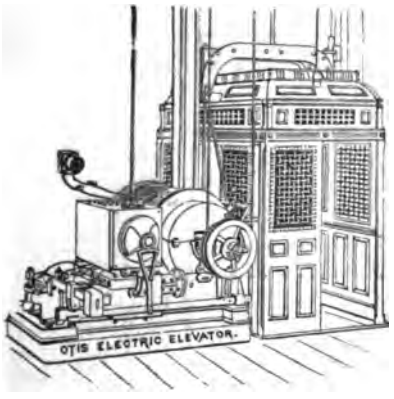
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Contributions of all kinds, on topics of interest, are cordially invited. Reading matter should, when possible, be in the hands of the Editor by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Address all communications to the Editor of the New York Athletic Club Journal, 104 W. 55th St., N. Y. City.

## PROGRESS OF THE NEW HOUSE.

AN inspection of the interior of the new clubhouse, made just prior to the JOURNAL going to press, shows that the work has progressed rapidly during the past month, and indicates that the decorations will be completed and the house ready for occupancy early in January, should nothing unforeseen occur to delay the contractors. A brief review of the present condition of the house will doubtless be interesting to those who have not the opportunity to roam over and inspect our new quarters.

On entering the clubhouse the first room to attract attention is the library, in which all the plastering is finished, and a general idea of what the room will be, when furnished, may be gained. A glance at the bath is even more interesting, and it already bears evidence of the imposing appearance it will present. The plastering is finished, and the marble work on the three-story side walls and pillars is almost complete. The windows are trimmed and the tank is complete, with the exception of the tile lining. The bright appearance of the bath is heightened by the white marble walls and pillars; in fact, all the surroundings are pure white. The arched entrance to the smoking and lounging room already presents a very pretty effect. A trip to the basement and sub-cellar shows that the work in that portion of the house has been delayed owing to the necessity of providing a system of sub-drainage to carry off the water. This difficulty has now been overcome and the work will proceed rapidly, the foundation for one of the boilers being already built.

On the second floor the plastering of the billiard-room is finished, which almost completes the work there, as that room will not be decorated further for the present. The lounging-room, at the head of the stairs, is also plastered and ready for the decorators to commence work.

The sleeping-rooms on the third floor have been partitioned off with solid makite walls, rendering them entirely fire-proof. The plastering is also finished here, fittings for telephone and electric light in place, and the wood trimming is being proceeded with.

The gymnasium on the fourth and mezzanine floors is also plastered, and other rooms partitioned off with fire-proof brick walls. Sleepers for the running track are laid; the sharp corners originally designed have been modified at one end, and the track provides quite a good straight for practicing sprinting. On the fifth floor the locker-room is ready for the erection of the lockers, and the windows and doors are being fitted.

The sixth floor presents a very gratifying appearance. The breakfast and supper room bids fair to be a bright and cozy apartment, while the dining-room is even more attractive than the committee expected. A few steps to the balcony outside, and a glance over the park shows at once how popular a spot it will become for the enjoyment of after-dinner coffee and cigars.

In the cycle department the work is being

pushed forward with even more expedition than in the main building. The lease of the present cycle house expires on January 1st, and it will be necessary to have the new quarters ready for occupancy at that time. This, it may be safely assumed, will be done, and the cyclists, in all probability, will have an opportunity to indulge in their usual watch-night festivities in the new building.

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THE following are extracts from letters received by the Secretary indorsing the action of the Board in regard to the rule against "tipping":

"I heartily approve of the rigid enforcement of the above rule."

"I am glad to see that action has been taken in the above matter."

"When first joining the club, I visited the clubhouse offices and tried to patronize the different departments, but the open way many of the members had of 'tipping,' in connection with one or two other things, has kept me away, and I was only waiting to see if there is a change in the new house ere resigning."

"Good thing; hope you will succeed in breaking up the practice."

"I congratulate you that this matter has had attention. It is hard to control, but I should much prefer to increase the wages for faithful service or to contribute to a sum to be apportioned at Christmas which would fully compensate them."

"I am very glad that the Board of Governors have taken up the matter referred to in this circular."

"I believe that your circular will be the means of preventing that which would be very detrimental to the interests of the Club, and I trust that the other members will regard it in the same light that I do."

"It is gratifying to see, at last, some effort made to stop this most caddish practice. It was a long while ago that I called somebody's attention to it, and was only met with the unsatisfactory rejoinder, 'How can you stop it?' and it is doubtful whether the question has been simplified by the lapse of time. It is to be hoped that the present Governors may succeed, even if it requires strength and continued efforts."

"I am awfully glad that the enclosed notice has been sent out. Tipping at the Club and Island seems to have become general. This is wrong; dead wrong. I don't know how you are going to stop it; but I predict that if you discipline the members for violating that rule, you will strike some of the prominent and high members of the Club, and you will also discharge most of the employees. I mean by that, most of the employees look for money, because a big number of the members—old and prominent—give it to them."

## CLUB REGATTA.

THE oarsmen of the New York A. C. provided an excellent afternoon's sport for the visitors at Travers Island, when the annual club regatta took place on September 18th. The piazza of the boathouse and the banks adjoining the course were crowded with spectators, the majority of them comprising the fair friends of the contestants, who enthusiastically applauded their favorites in the different events. The afternoon's sport commenced with the single-scull handicap, with B. G. Wilson and Dr. J. M. Davis at scratch. Lyons and Campbell, the long-start men, led until the clubhouse. Shortly after Wilson and Reynolds deprived them of the lead, and, as they passed the float, Wilson, who had been considerably aided by the other men fouling each other, was half a length in front of Reynolds. Eddie spurted desperately, but a passing launch gave him its wash, and he failed to catch Wilson by a quarter of a length. The double-scull gig race was a scratch event. Davis and Lambden led at the start, with Crawford and Bogert in close attendance. At the clubhouse the Davis boat drew away, and was a good two lengths in the lead, when they narrowly escaped running down the Glen Island pier. Shouts from the banks, however, warned the oarsmen of their danger just in time, and, maintaining their admirable style to the finish, they won comfortably by two or three lengths. Campbell and Carr came strongly in the last quarter of a mile, and took second place from Crawford and Bogert.

In the race for senior eight-oared shells the crew stroked by Eddie Keane jumped away at the start and gained half a boat length lead. This advantage was increased until, as they passed the float, there was just daylight between the contending crews. The judge's verdict was in favor of Keane's crew by a length and a half.

Much interest and amusement was created by the six-oared barge race for Huckleberry Indians. There were some antiquated athletes in both crews, the contestants being more remarkable for their energy than for style and speed. The crew stroked by Haubold was handicapped by having "Midget" Sam Stewart as coxswain,

and were never in the hunt. Tom Cooke set a strong stroke for his six, and brought his braves in easy winners. The obstacle swimming race also created much amusement, and fell to the track athlete, G. G. Winship. Little McGirr held a commanding lead, until the horses had to be pushed home, when Winship rapidly overhauled him, beating out Davis, the expert swimmer, by a yard. The summary:

Single-scull gigs, handicap—Won by B. G. Wilson (scratch); E. P. Reynolds (15 seconds), second; H. Lyons (25 minutes), third.

Double-scull gigs, scratch—Won by Davis and Lambden; Campbell and Carr, second; Bogert and Crawford, third.

Senior eight-oared shells—Won by Reynolds, bow; Pope, Bell, Davis, Haubold, Stephens, Hurd, Keane, stroke; Seaman, coxswain.

Six-oared barge race—Won by Reynolds, bow; Leibert, Paynter, Guerra, Bavier, Cooke, stroke; Rudolphy, coxswain.

Obstacle swimming race—Won by G. G. Winship; J. M. Davis, second; Samuel Montgomery, third.

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## THE CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

THE team to represent the New York A. C. in the Canadian championships was evidently selected with rare good judgment. Only twelve athletes competed under the New York A. C. colors, and in the eleven events in which these twelve men competed eleven first, five second and one third prize fell to their share. The unavoidable absence of Sheldon, Hurlburt, Burke and one of our fast bicyclists prevented all of the championships coming to New York. Apart from the remarkable success of the New York A. C. team, the marvelous running of Wefers was a feature which will make the meeting of 1897 a famous one in the history of Canadian championships. In running 220 yards around a turn in 21 seconds, Wefers accomplished a feat which exceeded the expectations of his greatest admirers. Close investigation has developed no flaw in the record. The course was measured by a competent surveyor, and all of the official watches agreed at 21 seconds.

Wefers seems to be unfortunate in running a quarter of a mile. He has twice essayed the distance, and each time been beaten by a narrow margin. Of course, his defeat by Long was, in a measure, due to his previous exertion in the sprint races, but this should not detract from the value of Long's performance. His plucky race and fast time deserve commendation. John Cregan ran another plucky race in the mile, winning from the Canadian, A. Grant, in the fast time of 4 min. 24 3-5 sec. The following is the summary:

One-hundred-yard run—Final heat: B. J. Wefers, N. Y. A. C., 10 seconds; G. Paris, Montreal Lacrosse Club, 2, by five feet; A. C. Caldwell, U. of Toronto, 3, by a foot.

Two-hundred-and-twenty-yard run—Final heat: B. J. Wefers, N. Y. A. C., 21 seconds; M. W. Long, N. Y. A. C., 2, by seven yards; G. Paris, M. L. C., 3, by five yards.

Quarter-mile run—M. W. Long, N. Y. A. C., 49s.; B. J. Wefers, N. Y. A. C., 2, by a yard; G. Stephens, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, 3.

Half-mile run—H. E. Manvel, N. J. A. C., 1 m. 57 4-5 sec.; G. Stephens, M. A. A. A., 2, by a yard; A. Brodie, M. A. A. A., 3, by two yards.

One-mile run—J. F. Cregan, N. Y. A. C., 4 m. 24 3-5 sec.; A. Grant, St. Mary's, Ont., 2, by two yards; D. Grant, T. A. C., 3.

Two-mile run—G. W. Orton, N. Y. A. C., 10 m. 25 2-5 sec.; D. Grant, T. A. C., 2, by thirty yards; S. A. Finley, M. A. A. A., 3.

One-hundred-and-twenty-yard hurdle race—Final heat: J. H. Thompson, Jr., N. Y. A. C., 16 1-5 sec.; W. B. Rogers, N. Y. A. C., 2, by three yards; E. Harding, Toronto Y. M. C. A., 3.

Three-mile walk—W. B. Fetterman, N. Y. A. C., 24 m. 6 2-5 sec.; W. Laker, W. E. Y. M. C. A., 2; W. Hazlitt, W. E. Y. M. C. A., 3.

Two-mile bicycle race—F. C. Robinson, T. A. C., 4 m. 44 sec.; R. Thompson, Tourists' Bicycle Club, 2, by a foot; A. McEachren, T. A. C., 3.

Running high jump—W. C. Carroll, N. Y. A. C., 5 ft. 11½ in.; I. K. Baxter, N. Y. A. C., 5 ft. 10½ in.; H. Gill, T. A. C., 5 ft. 9½ in.

Running broad jump—E. B. Bloss, N. Y. A. C., 23 ft. 1¼ in.; W. B. Rogers, N. Y. A. C., 20 ft. 10½ in.; F. G. Webber, T. A. C., 20 ft. 8 in.

Pole vault—D. Sinclair, W. E. Y. M. C. A., 10 ft. ½ in.; J. A. Knox, T. A. C., 10 ft. ½ in.; J. Peaire, Hamilton, 9 ft. 9 in.

Putting 16-pound shot—J. Gray, Orilla (Ont.) L. C., 42 ft. 9¼ in.; H. Gill, T. A. C., 41 ft. 7½ in.; T. O'Rourke, L. V. A. A., 37 ft. 1½ in.

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Throwing 56-pound weight—J. Flanagan, N. Y. A. C., 31 ft. 4 in.; F. O'Rourke, L. V. A. A., 28 ft. 2 in.; A. T. Hernon, Y. M. C. A., 26 ft. 10.

# Our Official Bulletin.

Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.

## ENTERTAINMENT.

**October 23—Smoker in Gymnasium.**

## CYCLING.

**October 10—Century Run. Start from Cycle House at 6.30 a. m.**

**November 2—Annual 15-Mile Road Race for Citizens' Cup.**

## PAPER CHASING.

**November 2—Paper Chase from Travers Island—Arrival of 10.45 a. m. train.**

### NOTICE OF MEETING.

THE Board of Governors have authorized the Building and Finance Committee to call a special meeting of the club for Wednesday, October 20th, when matters pertaining to the completion and furnishing of the new clubhouse will be presented. Members are earnestly requested to attend.

### A CENTURY RUN.

IT is seldom that the New York A. C. members indulge in scorching or excessively long runs, but the more enthusiastic wheelmen generally develop century fever once every season. The attack is on time this year, and a century run has been organized for October 10th. Following is the itinerary:

Leave the cycle house at Sixtieth street at 6.30 a. m. Take 7 o'clock boat at Forty-second Street Ferry. Follow Hudson County Boulevard, and cross the Meadows to Carlstadt, Rutherford, Avondale, up Passaic to car tracks in Paterson. Return the same road to Avondale, then to Bellville, Bloomfield, East Orange, Orange, South Orange, Millburn, Springfield, Plainfield and Elizabeth. Dinner will be partaken of here, and the return journey will be made via Springfield, The Oranges and Meadows to Sixtieth street. A moderate pace will be maintained, and in case of rain the run will take place October 17th. The course is the same over which two previous runs of the club have been held, and although a trifle more hilly than the Long Island roads, provides a much more enjoyable ride, and has the approval of the following enthusiasts, who will probably be in the saddle for the run under notice: John C. Gulick, Louis H. Orr, E. E. Bartlett, C. L. Jones, T. E. Belts, J. H. Hanson, Richard Nelson, J. W. Carter, F. K. Bourne, J. H. Bates, Dr. Seneca D. Powell and J. A. Healy.

### THE CITIZENS' CUP.

PREPARATIONS are already being made by the Bicycle Committee for the annual race on Election Day for the Citizens' Cup. Last year the event was run over the Merrick road, but it scarcely proved as successful as the previous races held in the vicinity of Travers Island. It has, therefore, been decided to abandon the Merrick road course, and the committee is considering the feasibility of deciding the event on the Shore road, over a stretch of five miles from Travers Island down, which will, of course, have to be negotiated three times. The finish will be at Travers Island, where one of the principal attractions of the fixture, an excellent dinner, may be depended upon.

## A RIP VAN WINKLE WHEELMAN.

MR. FILL FONTY, New York A. C., an old "Cit," recently returned to New York from South America, after an absence of a number of seasons.

When he went away it was considered a great day's feat to ride his high wheel as far as Amityville, L. I., a distance of some thirty-five miles.

Centuries had been ridden on the high wheel, but they were as rare as roast beef on the Klondike. When he left New York, Jones, then a young man, was leading the cyclers, with 377 miles to his credit for the season. Gulick, with 212, was esteemed the most graceful rider, and Sim Ford, with 251, the most daring and *blase.* Colonel Goldie was then in his teens, and his mamma forbade his riding anything but his papa's cane. Louis d'Orr was then unborn, and George Wilson had applied for a lowly position in the Equitable and could not afford a "bike."

Among other things, the attitude of the police struck Mr. Fonty as peculiarly gratifying. He observed several upon wheels with astonishment. *They no longer clubbed wheelmen.* He also noticed an absence of stone-throwing hoodlums in Harlem, which, he said, was very gratifying. In the old days he rarely went out that he didn't come back bruised and bleeding and with bent spokes. He used to wear a special padded coat, but now he pads not for use so much as ornament.

The increased speed of the modern wheel has led to some astonishing riding by Mr. Fonty. He started for Grant's Tomb the other afternoon, and in the lapse of his usual time in 1882 for making Claremont, found himself in Yonkers, to his great surprise and consternation.

Starting recently for a well-known brewery in Harlem, he found himself, to his great grief, in Astoria. He bought and adjusted a patent curb to his wheel to get things back to where they were when he went to Brazil. He now rides whither he pleases at his old-time gait. When he left the States ladies were not known to have limbs. Several learned scientists had predicted that legs would appear upon ladies toward the end of this century, but no one had positively seen them, and this prediction was generally disbelieved.

Since he has been back, Mr. Fonty has personally counted no less than 1,101 female legs, proving to his own satisfaction that ladies have legs, and, presumably, have always possessed these useful appendages, though not discovered till 1895.

Mr. Fonty tells us that in Brazil ladies are not known to have legs. That, in fact, they have very little understanding of any kind, and that wheeling there is considered barbarous. He also volunteered the information that riding a Brazillian *llama* was, in no sense, up to riding a bike. He had tried it, and found the llama altogether wanting. Mr. Fonty is welcomed back to civilization again with an increased sense of our cycle progress and wheeling improvements since 1882.

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## WRESTLING.

DESPITE the growing popularity of other sports, wrestling holds its position as one of the favorite exercises indulged in by New York A. C. members. Though still early in the season, Instructor Leonard has quite a number of pupils under his charge, as many as a dozen appearing in an afternoon for lessons, though the department is at present handicapped by the magnificent fall weather, which renders the most enthusiastic followers of the sport reluctant to abandon cycling and other pleasures which may be partaken of in the open air. There is an interesting exhibit in the wrestling portion of the gymnasium, comprised of a set of 220 photographs detailing in the most minute manner all the principal holds practiced in the game. The photographs are taken from poses by Instructor Leonard and his assistant, George Bothner. They form a very valuable aid to learners, in addition to their value as an artistic exhibit. The collection has been presented to the club by the instructor, and when hung in the wrestling-room of the new house, will add decidedly to its appearance. The charge for wrestling lessons is $5 for the season, and members will find no more beneficial manner of substituting strength for adipose tissue than by taking a course of lessons.

## BASEBALL.

THE New York A. C. baseball team wound up a most successful season with a game against the New York League team on October 1st. Previous to that game twenty games had been played by the team, of which eighteen resulted in favor of the Winged-Foot aggregation. This is a record that Governor Fred Hausling may well be proud of. The team was greatly strengthened during the past month by the new pitcher, Garoni. He is only nineteen years old, but has shown exceptional ability. In three games last month he struck out 53 men—14 out of 18 of the All-Star nine, 15 of the Crescent A. C. and 20 of the Lincoln A. C. Due credit should also be given to Captain James Dunne for his excellent support in catching the new wonder's delivery. On September 12th, at Travers Island, the New York A. C. team defeated a nine composed of All-Star players, by a score of 8 to 4, and on September 6th the Lincoln A. C., of Westchester, was trounced, the score being 17 to 1.

Ed Kearney is to the fore with the offer of a trophy, to be played for next season by amateur teams. An endeavor will be made to organize a league, to receive the recognition of the Amateur Athletic Union, and efforts will be made to have the following clubs compete for Mr. Kearney's prize: Crescent A. C., New Jersey A. C., Knickerbocker A. C., Staten Island Cricket Club and New York A. C. There is no doubt that a struggle for a pennant between teams representing those organizations would be instrumental in restoring amateur baseball to popular favor.

### N. Y. A. C. DEFEATS CRESCENT A. C.

The deciding game of the series between the Crescent A. C. and New York A. C. teams took place at Bay Ridge on September 18th. The result was a hollow victory for New York by a score of 14 to 6.

Garoni was in the box for the N. Y. A. C., and he was a perfect puzzle to the Crescent batsmen; no less than fifteen men were struck out by Garoni, who received excellent support from his catcher, Jimmy Dunne. The fielding of the Crescent team was of rather a yellow nature, compared to the good work by the visiting nine. The score:

| New York A. C. | R. | 1B. | P.O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Dunne, c. | 3 | 4 | 16 | 1 | 1 |
| D'ppler, c. f. | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| T. Dunne, 3b. | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Jones, r. f. | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cow'ait, 2b. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Hosen, l. f. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| And'ws, s. s. | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| Garoni, p. | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wood, 1b. | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 14 | 10 | 27 | 8 | 7 |

| Crescent A. C. | R. | 1B. | P.O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| McQu'n, c. f. | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| McCann, s. s. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Gooden, r. f. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| O'Flynn, 3b. | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 1 |
| Call'h'n, 1b. | 0 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 3 |
| Miller, 2b. | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Ford, l. f. | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bourne, c. | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Hardie, s. s. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 2 |
| Curry, p. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Total | 6 | 8 | 27 | 17 | 12 |

Score by Innings.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| N. Y. A. C. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 0—14 |
| C. A. C. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3— 6 |

Earned runs— N. Y. A. C., 2. First base on errors—N. Y. A. C., 10; C. A. C., 3. Left on bases—N. Y. A. C., 4; C. A. C., 5. Struck out—By Garoni, 15; by Curry, 4. First base on balls—Off Garoni, 4; off Curry, 3. Hit by pitcher—By Garoni, 1; by Curry, 1. Wild pitches—Curry, 2. Stolen bases—J. Dunne, Deppeler, Cowperthwaite, McQueen, O'Flynn, Callaghan (2), Ford (2), Bourne (2). Sacrifice hits—Deppeler, Cowperthwaite, Hosen. Double play—Hardie, Miller and Callaghan. Umpire—Josh Bunce. Time of game—2 hours and 5 minutes.

## N. Y. A. C. vs. N. Y. LEAGUE.

NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB baseball players met a League team for the first time on October 1st. Though the score showed a bad defeat for the N. Y. A. C., there were many points of the game quite encouraging to the enthusiasts in the club.

The principal feature of the game was the pitching of Garoni. The Leaguers treated him rather severely in the first inning, but at their second turn at the bat his nervousness had disappeared. Clark was the third man to step to the plate for the Giants, and a wild shout went up when Garoni retired the famous hitter on three strikes.

The Athletes had the New York nine fairly rattled in the fourth inning; good hits, stolen bases and fumbling by the Giants resulting in four runs being tallied for the N. Y. A. C.

In the fifth inning Garoni gave the League team another taste of his quality, and retired the batsmen in short order. So good was his work with the ball that not one of the Giants reached first base.

Then the N. Y. A. C. team went to pieces, the work in the field being very loose, and poor judgment in base running keeping the score down until the eighth inning, when three runs were brought in.

The score was, New York League 20, New York A. C. 9.

## A FEW REMINISCENCES,

BY AN OLD-TIMER.

IN the official programme of our fifty-eighth games, held June 5, 1897, at Travers Island, there appeared an historical article containing a brief allusion to the New York Boxing Club, from which the present organization of the New York A. C. undoubtedly sprang. As a few additional facts may be appreciated by some of the readers of the club's "Journal," they are here presented as unearthed from the memory of one of its oldest members.

The full title of the organization was the New York Athletic and Boxing Club, and it was composed of about a score of names, mostly men who exercised at Wood's and Maire's gymnasiums, or were connected with the boating clubs then located on the Hudson and the Harlem rivers. The most active of these, and their names, recollected at this late day because of their regular attendance, were Thomas Q. Sturgis, Charles R. Roosevelt, Harry E. Buermeyer, William B. Curtis, William Henry, Thomas Hamblin, Theodore Wilson, William L. Bull, Francis M. Jenks, D. Henry Knowlton, William M. Murray, Charles S. Kingsley, J. Edward Russell, Vincent Le Compte and Messrs. Jencks, Kingsland and Hobson. There were probably a few more on the roll who did not frequent the rooms.

The club was formed in the autumn of 1866, on very simple lines, Tom Sturgis undertaking the dual office of President and Treasurer, and right well he performed his duties. If there were any other officers, their existence was not manifested in any visible way, and the probability is that there were none. There was no initiation fee. An assessment of $25 was levied on each member to cover the expenses of the season, including the rent of the clubroom, the purchase of exercising apparatus and the salary of the boxing instructor. A small building in the rear of the old medical college in East Thirteenth street, now known as Clarendon Hall, was hired for the winter of 1866. This building was, in fact, the old dissecting room of the college, and its walls were, consequently, accustomed to bloody deeds long before we commenced to experiment on each other; and years later, in the palmy days of the "Tenderloin," its site was occupied by the assembly room of Clarendon Hall, where many a fierce battle with "skin gloves" was decided and variously described in the papers next day as fought at Coney Island, on a barge up the Sound, or in some gentleman's barn up the Hudson. The door of the clubroom was provided with a special lock, to which every member had a pass-key, but as the room was not warmed, except on the regular meeting nights, there was a very light attendance at other times. Dumbbells and Indian clubs, of various weights, were there, and a miniature set of parallel bars. However, these were little used, and were furnished, no doubt, to give some color to the fact that we claimed to be an athletic club. Boxing was the real object and business of this organization. The other privileges could be, and were, enjoyed at home or in the gymnasiums.

Tuesdays and Thursdays were known as lesson nights, and James Reynolds, an old pupil of Charlie Ottignon's, and the most popular instructor of the day, was our teacher. Ottignon, at this time, taught occasionally when asked, but had already given up his old gymnasium in Crosby street, and was keeping a pistol gallery at Broadway and Houston street. A few of our members, like Buermeyer, were past masters of the art of self-defense and did not go through the drudgery of taking lessons; but the rank and file went to the rooms regularly for the instruction which the club assessment provided for them without extra charge, and which would have cost from $1 to $2 a lesson outside. Reynolds used to put his pupils through an elaborate series of hits and guards, singly and in combination, and afterward sparred with the more expert. He would give a dozen or more lessons in an evening, and it was wonderful, to some of us, how Reynolds, who was a light middle-weight, could exhaust, with apparent ease, a succession of some of the strongest men in the city at that time. He always undertook to satisfy the pupil as to the length of the lesson, even to the conventional hour supposed to be given in private instruction, but ten minutes generally found the alumnus pretty well fagged out. Reynolds had a trick of bringing the lesson to a close, at will, by

introducing the straight counter and urging the pupil to strike harder and harder, till he saw the exhaustion point was reached. He then adroitly ducked and received the tyro in his arms in a state of collapse and laughingly took on a fresh man without turning a hair. He weighed, at this time, about 150 pounds, rather under than over, and was tall, lean, bony and of dark-bronze complexion. He occupied a position in the Custom House during the day, and, as he took excellent care of himself, was always in good condition for a set-to. He is still living, and is said to have made money keeping a livery and boarding stable. His style in sparring was generally to play the waiting game; and he would, by feints and manoeuvering, keep his man expecting an attack until the latter's drooping arms and tired legs told him he could sail in with impunity. On Saturday nights, however, when there was general sparring, Reynolds did not have everything his own way, for Buermeyer and other stars would come in and he would have to do some hustling himself.

Harry Buermeyer, at this period, from his size, weight, strength, skill and activity, was probably more than a match for any man on the continent, amateur or professional. At any rate, he was always ready for a trial, and many a would-be champion quietly retired into private life because he had had an unsuccessful set-to with this unassuming amateur. It is worthy of remark that Harry never took advantage of his great powers, and, during the season, every member of the club was expected by the professor to put on the gloves with Buermeyer on some Saturday night. He could spar with a lightweight as gently as a lady, and yet in public exhibitions made heavy-weights, like Ottignon and Johnny Dwyer, walk around. Such versatility is remarkable in a heavy, strong man, for Buermeyer was upward of six feet in height, and, standing erect, could put up, simultaneously, two 100-pound dumbbells, one in each hand, squarely from the shoulder. The first recorded knock-out with gloves in a public exhibition in America occurred some years later at the winter games given by the New York A. C., Gilmore's Garden, January 4, 1878, when Buermeyer, in sparring with George W. Lee, a giant member of the Boston A. C., for the heavy-weight amateur championship of America, caught his man a right-hand cross-counter on the throat in the second round and knocked him completely out. Such a consequence was unprecedented; even Buermeyer knew of such things only by tradition, and in the case of bare-knuckle encounters. Great consternation prevailed, women fainted and men lost their heads; and the games, after a long wait, were resumed without the sparring, which was ordered to be decided in private competition. Meantime, the other candidates withdrew in haste, and Harry E. Buermeyer was, consequently, proclaimed the first amateur heavy-weight champion of America, a position which he might, probably, have maintained ever since, had he so elected. The heavy-weight class has seldom brought out great talent, Buermeyer being one man out of a thousand.

His intimate associate, William B. Curtis, then in the prime of early manhood, and the strongest man in the country in respect of lifting power, was a regular attendant on the lesson nights, and worked hard, with small success, to make himself a boxer. What was lacking in his case is hard to say. A remarkably good all-round athlete, active, as well as strong, possessing a mind and body that reveled in competition, it was strange that hitting out from the shoulder was so difficult for him to acquire. Some said he was muscle-bound, but this was not the case. One thing was generally agreed among the cognoscenti, that any ordinary pugilist would have had small chance with him in a real encounter for the mastery, and two pugilists still less, for he could have taken each of them by the nape of the neck and banged their heads together till they cried quits. He was a noticeable figure as he walked down Broadway on a winter's day—a handsome, full-bearded man, wearing a single-breasted frock coat, not of heavy material and seldom buttoned, he seemed unmindful of changes in the weather, except that, occasionally, he would don a pair of enormous seal-skin gauntlets.

Tom Sturgis, our President-Treasurer, was another one of our strong men. A little slow as a boxer, he was a sturdy and steady opponent to face, and was always willing to put on the mitts

with any one, the bigger the better. He took the hard knocks that came his way on his bullet-head without a flinch, and never dreamed of revenge. He was a brilliant baseball player, and, in fact, clever in all athletic exercises. We have spoken of his able conduct of our business affairs. In the spring of 1867, the season for which the club was originally organized having terminated and many members wishing to continue the good work, arrangements were made with Henry Gebhard, Twenty-second street and Broadway, top floor, where Pach, the photographer, is at present located, for the use of his sparring-room and large gymnasium. Another assessment of $25 was levied, and the club carried its second season away into the warm weather. The athletic paraphernalia was sold to advantage for the general account, and, after the final disbanding of the New York Athletic and Boxing Club, each man was sought out by the President-Treasurer and given $7.50, which remained over and above the expenses. In all the writer's experience with baseball, rowing, bowling, dancing and other athletic associations, this remains the bright and solitary exception where he has ever received a dividend, or was not, indeed, asked to contribute, in addition, toward the funeral expenses. He that is faithful in small things is faithful also in great. As Tom Sturgis now holds a municipal position in the gift of great New York, it may be assumed that in this much-abused metropolis there is one department, at least, where its affairs are ably, economically and honestly administered.

(*To Be Continued*)

## N. Y. A. C. SWIMMERS VICTORIOUS.

ON September 4th the National Swimming Association gave two swimming events at Lafayette, Pa., and the New York A. C. carried off premier honors in each event.

The summary:

80-yard handicap—Final heat won by W. E. Dickey, N. Y. A. C. (7 seconds); F. A. Wenck, N. Y. A. C. (6 seconds), second; Paul Neumann, C. A. A. (scratch), third. Time, 1m. 1 1-5s.

500-yard handicap—Won by F. A. Wenck, N. Y. A. C. (12 seconds); W. B. Kugler, N. S. A. (23 seconds), second; Paul Neumann, C. A. A. (scratch), third. Time, 16s.; 15 feet between first and second, 1 foot between second and third.

F. A. Wenck represented the New York A. C. in the swimming races at Avoca Villa, Bath Beach, on September 11th. In the 300-yard handicap, Wenck was in receipt of 5 seconds' handicap from Dr. Neumann. He made a sensational finish, and nearly snatched the victory from the foreigner, after the latter held a commanding lead. In the half-mile handicap Wenck was the only back marker to get a place. With 10 seconds' handicap, he took third place to Christy, N. A. C., and Reuss, K. A. C., both being in receipt of 50 seconds.

New York A. C. swimmers met with great success in the open races given in connection with the Atlantic Association championships, at Wayne, on September 18th. Two out of three of the events, open to all amateurs, fell to the representatives of the New York A. C. In the 100-yard handicap, champion Reeder started scratch, and easily disposed of the handicap men, finishing first in 1 min. 22 4-5 sec. W. E. Dickey (6 seconds) was third. The 220-yard handicap was won by F. A. Wenck (8 seconds) in 3 min. 49 4-5 sec. The same swimmer finished third to Dr. Paul Neumann and William Christy in the half-mile special scratch race.

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THE Cross Country Committee has decided to hold paper-chases from Travers Island on all holidays during the season. As in former years the runs will be conducted with the idea of gentle exercise, and no scorching will be permitted. The initial run will be held on Election day, the start taking place on the arrival of the 10.45 a. m. train from 129th street.

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ON October 11th the Travers Island Clubhouse will be closed for the season. The Potter house, as usual, will be kept open during the winter months, and will be rendered additionally attractive to visitors by the improvements carried out in the spring.

## THE FIFTY-NINTH GAMES.

WITH the attraction of the first dual meet between the Chicago A. A. and the New York A. C. on the programme, a large crowd was expected at Travers Island on October 2d to witness the fall games. The unpropitious morning, however, affected the attendance, but those who trusted to the proverbial good luck of the club in the matter of weather and made the journey to Travers Island were rewarded with an exciting afternoon's sport.

In the dual meet, the New York A. C. gained an easy victory; score 8½ to 3½. Though the Westerners were in a measure crippled through the defection of Ewry, the record-breaking



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jumper, even had Ewry competed and won both of the events he was entered for, New York would still have been victorious.

Kreanzlein, of the Chicago A. A., created a genuine surprise in the high hurdle race by defeating Thompson. The New York A. C. man held a lead of three yards at the half distance, but Kreanzlein's strength served him against the strong wind, and he wore Thompson down, beating him out by a foot.

The race for the quarter mile produced a sensational struggle between Townsend, of Chicago, and Long, of New York. The men came down the straight locked, and fell across the finish line together.

In the relay race, the adherents of the Chicago team were flattered for a moment with hope of victory when Jackson cut down the lead that Long and Cregan had given Lyons, leaving Wefers and Townsend to start level for the final quarter. Wefers was the quicker to start, and set the Chicago man a fast pace down the straight. Coming up the backstretch, the New Yorker saved himself against the wind and Townsend drew up, but Wefers set himself going in earnest round the bend, and romped home three yards in front of Townsend.

In the 150-yard race, the time made by Wefers beat the existing record of 14 4-5 seconds by a fifth of a second. His effort was a grand one, as the lane in which he ran was awkwardly made, but the wind favored the runners probably enough to compensate for the disadvantage of running round a curve.

The summary:

880-yard run—Won by J. F. Cregan, New York A C.; G. W. Orton, New York A. C., second; R. B. Barrett, C. A. A., third. Time, 2 minutes 12 4-5 seconds.

50-yard dash—Won by B. J. Wefers, New York A. C.; C. A. Klunder, C. A. A., second; J. H. Rush, C. A. A., third; E. B. Bloss, fourth. Time, 5 4-5 seconds.

220-yard hurdle—Won by A. C. Kreanzlein, C. A. A.; G. G. Winship, New York A. C., second; J. H. Thompson, third. Time, 28 seconds.

Putting 16-pound shot—Won by Richard Sheldon, New York A. C., with a put of 43 feet 6½ inches; C. H. Henneman, C. A. A., second, with a put of 42 feet 5½ inches.

100-yard dash, handicap—Final heat won by S. K. Thomas, K. A. C., 9 yards; George H. Hoffman, Anchor A. C. (9 yards), second; A. J. Mendes, K. A. C. (10 yards), third. Time, 10 1-5 seconds.

150-yard run—Won by Bernard J. Wefers, New York A. C.; J. H. Maybury, C. A. A., second; J. H. Rush, C. A. A., third; R. W. Moore, New York A. C., fourth. Time, 14 3-5 seconds.

120-yard hurdle race—Won by A. C. Kreanzlein, C. A. A.; J. H. Thompson, Jr., New York A. C., second; M. P. Halpin, New York A. C., third. Time, 17 2-5 seconds.

One-mile run, handicap—Won by R. L. Eaton, N. J A. C. (10 yards); J. J. Burke, N. J. A. C. (100 yards), second; W. G. Messer, New York City (75 yards), third. Time, 4 minutes 45 4-5 seconds.

440-yard run—Dead heat between M. W. Long, N. Y. A. C., and A. J. Townsend, C. A. A.; H. S. Lyons, New York A. C., third. Time, 51 seconds. Townsend won first medal on a toss-up.

Two-mile steeplechase championship—Won by George W. Orton, New York A. C.; T. G. McGirr, New York A. C., second; Warren W. Smith, N. J. A. C., third. Time, 12 minutes 4 2-5 seconds.

One-mile relay race—Won by New York A. C., M. W. Long, J. F. Cregan, H. S. Lyons and B. J. Wefers; second, Chicago A. A. team, J. H. Rush, C. A. Klunder, D. H. Jackson and A. J. Townsend. Time, 3 minutes 29 seconds.

Throwing 16-pound hammer—Won by John Flanagan, New York A. C., with a throw of 144 feet 6 inches; C. H. Henneman, C. A. A., second, with a throw of 135 feet 11½ inches; Charles Chadwick, New York A. C., third, with a throw of 122 feet 10 inches.

Throwing the discus—Won by C. H. Henneman, C. A. A., with a throw of 113 feet 8 inches; Richard Sheldon, New York A. C., second, with a throw of 104 feet 3 inches; A. C. Kreanzlein, C. A. A., third, with a throw of 98 feet 7 inches; Robert Garrett, New York A. C., fourth, with a throw of 97 feet 11 inches.

Standing high jump—Won by A. P. Schwaner, New York A. C., with a jump of 4 feet 6¾ inches; Irving K. Baxter, New York A. C., second, with a jump of 4 feet 5¾ inches.

Standing broad jump—Won by A. P. Schwaner, New York A. C., with a jump of 10 feet 5 inches; Irving K. Baxter, New York A. C., second, with a jump of 9 feet 8¾ inches; C. A. Klunder, C. A. A., third, with a jump of 8 feet 10½ inches.

## FRESH AIR AT HUCKLEBERRY.

UNDER the guidance of pathfinder W. B. Curtis, the Fresh-Air Club inaugurated its fall season with a trip to Huckleberry Island. On this occasion the members appear to have forsaken their creed, for during the day not one of them was seen to walk where there was any possibility of being conveyed. The visit to the friendly Indians was celebrated as follows:

Formal reception by the inhabitants; putting 16-pound shot; dog dance by Huckleberry Indians; running hop, step and jump; sun dance by Huckleberry Indians; obstacle race; squaw dance by Huckleberry Indians; 50-yard swimming races; war dance by Huckleberry Indians; exhibitions of fancy and trick swimming by the president of the Fresh-Air Club; harvest dance by the Huckleberry Indians; natatorial diversion by the officers and privates of the club; introduction by the treasurer of his newly-invented compound beverage, warranted to prevent unpleasant effects from too much bathing; barge race from Huckleberry Island to Travers Island, between the "Never Quits" and the gentlemen of the club; dinner at Travers Island at 2 p. m., followed by orations, songs and stories of adventure.

The Fresh-Air party consisted of W. B. Curtis, H. E. Buermeyer, S. J. Montgomery, Louis Legien, D. M. Stern, W. L. Freudenstein, S. E. Brower, John Prochazka, H. E. Parker, E. G. Frost, E. Martin, Jr., and A. A. Gouraud.

## THE CLUB CLAMBAKE.

ALL reports agree that the clambake at Travers Island, on September 25th, was the most successful ever held by the club. In point of numbers it outclassed all its predecessors, there being 175 members and guests to partake of the succulent clams and other delicacies which went to form the excellent dinner. Geisseman's orchestra played selections during the bake, and even "Johnny" O'Brien admitted that the musicians placed his famous band in the shade. The Brunswick quartet also contributed to the afternoon's enjoyment, but the feature of the afternoon was the banjo playing of Mr. Vess L. Ossman, a guest of Mr. J. R. Pringle, who, though an accomplished professional, kindly volunteered his services. The Huckleberry Indians occupied a table with their own clan, Chief Shaefer being in the chair. "Johnny" O'Brien occupied the vice chair in the absence of R. C. Kammerer. The vice-chairman had as his guests a party of famous Westerners, including Judge Thomas S. Gurry, of Arizona; M. F. Ryan, of Chicago, and Alexander Martin, of Terre Haute. The bake concluded with a peaceful evening, in which quiet enjoyment was the rule and excessive hilarity an unknown feature.

THE first match contest for a gold medal—a one-mile running foot race—ever held by the New York A. C. took place at 21 St. Mark's place, New York City, March 30, 1871, and was won by ex-President William E. Van Wyck, in 6 min. 10 sec. He defeated Richard Meares, who had 50 yards' start. H. E. Buermeyer was the referee.

## NOTICE.

COUPONS of the second mortgage bonds, due October 1st, will be paid at the offices of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, 66 Broadway and Fifth avenue and Twenty-seventh street. C. E. GOODHUE, Treasurer.

## OBITUARY.

MR. WILLIAM MCKEAN died September 22d.

IN spite of the decision of the Board of Governors to strictly enforce the rule against tipping employees, it is within the knowledge of the Restaurant Committee that several gentlemen still continue the objectionable practice. The committee desires to state that a close scrutiny is being kept, and any violation of the rule will be immediately brought to the notice of the Board.

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HABITUES of the bowling alley will be pleased with the cheerful intelligence that the alleys will be placed in proper condition for the season's campaign. Arrangements have been made by the Billiard and Bowling Committee to have them planed, and they will doubtless be in first-class order by the time the cold snap arrives and drives the bowlers to seek solace in the scoring of strikes and spares.

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THE Entertainment Committee is busily engaged formulating plans for the enjoyment of New York A. C. members in a social way during the ensuing season. The first smoker will be held in the gymnasium on October 23d, when the high quality of entertainment which has been the rule in past seasons will be maintained.

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BOXING INSTRUCTOR DONOVAN has returned from his vacation, and is now in attendance daily to instruct the members who desire to become proficient in the art of self-defense. The indications are that the always-popular sport of boxing will lose none of its prestige in the club this year.

## PERSONALS.

FOR the first time since Travers Island has been acquired by the New York A. C. the three founders of the organization met there on September 26th, and chatted over the early history of the club, when they were wont to sport the emblem in competition. W. B. Curtis, H. E. Buermeyer and J. C. Babcock formed the trio, and each of them is a living testimonial to the benefit of athletic exercise.

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MR. W. F. MOHR left for Maine on September 28th. Diners at the club may keep an eye on the menu for "Moose a la Mohr," as Billy expresses his intention of shooting a few and sending one of the animals down to console his friends at the club during his absence.

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MR. DAN I. BRADLEY has been creating records in the South at live-bird shooting, or, rather, slaughtering. Fourteen hundred rail birds have fallen victims in three days. In accomplishing this feat the smokeless powder gave out. Dan nearly killed himself, as well as a few hundred rail birds, when he fired off a local black-powder cartridge, and the recoil knocked Dan and his two guns out of the boat.

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MR. HARVEY M. HALL and Thomas M. Hall are in Maine on a two weeks' shooting expedition.

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EX-PRESIDENT WILLIAM E. VAN WYCK sent to the Secretary, John C. Gulick, recently a well-preserved programme of the "First Athletic Games of the New York A. C." that took place November 11, 1868, at the Empire Rink (American Institute Building), Sixty-second and Sixty-third streets, Second and Third avenues. They were the first athletic games that ever took place in America. Colonel Van Wyck participated in those games, and also advanced the money to pay for the medals.

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HUKLEBERRY ISLAND may now be placed on the list of life-saving stations, and the denizens of the island are patiently awaiting the arrival of a set of medals for their heroic efforts in live-saving on September 19th. On that day a catboat capsized and two men were thrown into the Sound. They were in imminent danger of drowning, when the barge put off from the island and a gallant rescue effected by the crew. The heroes who manned the barge were T. L. Cooke, C. H. Liebert, S. Stewart, C. F. Haubold, R. C. Kammerer, George B. Hand, A. L. Paynter, J. C. O'Brien, Theo. Guerra, W. F. Rudolphy, C. E. Deppeler, E. Hutton, J. E. Domschke and David Roach.

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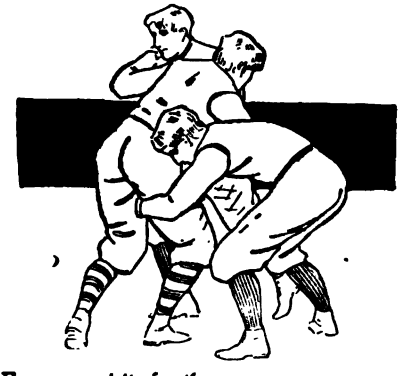


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## THE NEW CLUBHOUSE.

THE enthusiasm with which the report of the Building and Finance Committee was received at the meeting of the Club, called to take necessary measures to provide for the completion and furnishing of the new clubhouse, augurs well for the prosperity of the Club when established in its new home. It was evident from the moment that the business of the meeting commenced that the members present thoroughly appreciated the unceasing and well-directed efforts of the Committee charged with the erection of the new building, and there was a disposition on all sides to further those efforts and indorse without question the actions of the Committee.

After the subject of the meeting had been introduced to the Club by President Whitely, the report of the Building and Finance Committee was read by Secretary Gulick, which, in substance, is as follows:

"As the new clubhouse is now approaching completion, the Building and Finance Committee deem it advisable to lay before the Club a full statement of the contracts already made and an estimate of the necessary expenses of completing the building and furnishing the same.

"By the previous resolution of the Club this Committee was authorized to expend $680,000 for the construction of the building, exclusive of architects' and experts' fees, borings and vault privileges.

"The work necessary to be done in the construction of the cellar and the proper care of a much larger flow of water than was anticipated, in view of the reports of experts, involved a considerable additional expenditure for the construction of the building, so that it is now manifest that the entire cost will amount to nearly $700,000. This, of course, is exclusive of furnishing, for which, as yet, no definite provision has been made, and if the Club is to take possession of its new home in January, it is necessary that contracts for furnishing should be made at once; and, in fact, it has already been found necessary to make some of these contracts. The Committee estimate that the furnishing of the house will cost about $100,000. In order to meet these expenditures the Committee desire to be given authority to issue $150,000 debenture bonds for the completion and furnishing of the new house. This issue to be in lieu of the issue of bonds of the same amount authorized by the Club on May 26, 1896, these bonds to be dated November 1, 1897, payable November 1, 1903, bearing interest at 6 per centum per annum, with the privilege of redemption by the Club at its option on any interest day at 102 and accrued interest, unless offered by holders at a lower price.

"We, therefore, request the Club, first, to authorize the Committee to expend the sum of $700,000 for the construction of the building and $100,000 for the furnishing of the same; second, to rescind the resolution of May 26, 1896, and to authorize an issue of $150,000 debenture bonds, as above suggested."

The report was formally brought before the Club for discussion by the following resolution offered by General T. L. Watson:

"Whereas, The Building and Finance Committee were, by resolution of the Club, passed May 26, 1896, authorized to expend $680,000 for the building of the new clubhouse; and

"Whereas, This amount has been found inadequate for the purpose; be it

Resolved, That the said Committee be and it hereby is given full power and authority to expend $700,000 instead of $680,000 as previously authorized."

The spirit in which the resolution was received is shown by the following remarks of Mr. J. Warren Lawton:

"I think the resolution should be passed as an evidence of the regard and appreciation that the Club has as a whole of the labors that have been performed by the Building Committee. However much you may differ, and there are in this Club those who may differ as to the form and manner of building, which, in some respects I do, yet at the same time I recognize, as a member of this Club, the indefatigable labors of the members of the Building Committee (applause). As a compliment to them and merely based upon their statements that it is necessary for them to have that amount, it becomes the duty of every member of the Club, in recognition of the labors that I have spoken of and in appreciation of the patient efforts that have been made by the President and other members of the Board, that the resolution should be voted on at once."

On being put the resolution was unanimously carried, with considerable applause.

The following resolution was then offered by General Watson:

"Resolved, That the Building and Finance Committee be and is hereby given full power and authority to expend $100,000 for the furnishing, equipment and decoration of the said house; and further be it

"Resolved, That the President and the Secretary or Treasurer of the Club be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to execute such contracts within the above limitation as to cost, upon such terms as may be approved by said Committee on Building and Finance."

Captain Bartow S. Weeks, in speaking on the resolution, said:

"So that the members of the Club may not have any misunderstanding in regard to the portion of the report which stated that the Committee had already found it necessary to make certain contracts toward the furnishing, I think it wise that the members should understand that the contracts there referred to are for the necessary furnishing of the new house, which required so much time for the completion of the work that the Committee felt obliged to make the contracts at the time that would allow their completion by January 1st, when we hope to be in the new house. That refers, for instance, to the new silverware, new china and glassware, the linen, mural decorations and work of that kind, which must, of necessity, take some time to complete; and inasmuch as the provision for proper table linen, silverware and crockery was one that the Board would have been obliged to provide for, even if we had not gone into the new house, the Committee felt justified in making these contracts, and in this $100,000 provided for the furnishing of the house is included all of such furniture."

The resolution was carried unanimously without further discussion.

The following motions were made by General Watson, seconded by Captain Weeks and carried unanimously:

"Resolved, That so much of the resolution passed by the Club on May 26, 1896, authorizing and empowering the Board of Governors to issue $150,000 in five-year 6 per cent debenture bonds be, and the same is hereby, rescinded.

"Resolved, That the Board of Governors of this Club be, and is hereby, authorized and empowered to issue $150,000 debenture bonds, dated November 1, 1897, due November 1, 1903, bearing interest at 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on May 1st and November 1st of each year, with the privilege of redeeming any of said bonds at the option of the Club at 102 and accrued interest on any interest day, unless they are offered by the holders at a lower price, these bonds to be issued for the purpose of completion and furnishing of the new clubhouse."

President Whitely having relinquished the chair in favor of Vice-President Watson, presented a series of statements, the figures showing

the prosperous condition of the Club and the encouraging outlook provided by a study of the probable receipts and expenditures when in the new house.

On motion of Mr. W. H. Harrison it was decided to embody the substance of these statements in a circular to be mailed to the members of the Club.

The following interesting remarks were then made:

Mr. J. Warren Lawton:

"We are proceeding in this great city of ours to become a Greater New York. This Club—the athletic club of the world—is about to proceed into a larger and more magnificent structure than any other club I think that I ever heard of, and that I believe exists in the world. That being the case, it becomes the duty, and should be the pleasure and delight of every member of our Club, to enter into anything and any measure that would advance its interest and enable it to succeed and continue its life and the prosperity that has always attended it. Such being the feeling it should arouse properly in the hearts and actions of every member of this Club, they should resolve themselves into a committee of the whole to get members, both resident and non-resident, and that being done, you will remember that according to the estimate presented by the Secretary, we will have a very large sum of money without involving ourselves in indebtedness, and in that way bringing us what we want—a great deal of new and healthy blood. If that spirit is sufficiently aroused in all our members, and if every one makes himself an individual member of the committee of the whole to bring in a member that he thinks worthy to belong to such a grand and noble club as ours, we will then have an opportunity of relieving ourselves, to a great extent, of the indebtedness that now attaches to it. In seconding the remarks made by our worthy President a while since, that it becomes the duty of every one to fill our membership as rapidly as he can, I appeal to you all, as an old member of the Club, to do as I shall do, or try to do, get in some man whom he thinks worthy of membership in this Club and thus fill our membership at an early day."

Vice-President Watson:

"It seems to me that the first thought of subscribers might be, when they consider the $150,000 debentures, that outside of the remaining equity and the integrity of the Club officials there was not much in the way of security behind them; but it occurred to me, while the report was being read over to you in relation to the valuation on our property, that it will bear an increased valuation, and the President could tell you that a price has been put upon the property considerably in excess of what he has modestly put it in his figures. We certainly know how the valuations have increased along Fifty-ninth street, and the character of the buildings there assures us that the property is becoming more valuable all the time. The estimate of the equities in the Club property being placed at $500,000, this issue of $150,000 debenture bonds has behind it ample security. The attractions to non-residents have not been dwelt upon quite as much as it seems to me they ought to be. There are forty-four sleeping rooms in the new building, and several of them will be set aside for non-residents. Where can a gentleman living out of town get for his money as much as the New York A. C. will offer him? He will have the best baths to be found in this city or elsewhere, a swimming tank as fine as any in the world; as fine a billiard room as there is in New York, a good cafe, a fine dining room and a beautiful breakfast room. There are all the conveniences of electric light, steam heating and everything one can find in any reputable club. Our resident members cannot do better than to encourage non-residents to take a membership, as well as increase the life-membership."

Mr. A. G. Mills:

"I will ask the indulgence of the members for a few minutes. It is not often in the life of a big club like this that a considerable body of representative members of the Club and a committee of members working for the interest of the Club are brought face to face.

"I know that it is unusual in club life to refer to a committee member by name, and yet I believe that my fellow members of the Building and Finance Committee will indulge me in calling the attention of our fellow members to a few facts:

# Our Official Bulletin.

Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.

## ENTERTAINMENT.

**November 6—Smoking Concert in Gymnasium, 8.30 p. m.**

## BOWLING.

**November 16—New York A. C. vs. Montclair A. C., on N. Y. A. C. alleys.**
**November 24—New York A. C. vs. Columbia Club, on Columbia alleys.**
**November 30—New York A. C. vs. North End Club, on N. Y. A. C. alleys.**

You have been listening to-night to a series of financial estimates, to a number of facts scheduled upon the financial history of the Club. Those were drawn up by your President, Mr. Whitely, who has practically done the splendid financing of this great building project (applause). Now, I wish the members of the Club to take note of one thing that has been accomplished, certainly the like of which has never been accomplished before in the history of any Club. Not only was the original mortgage made on most advantageous terms, but the second mortgage was issued, which, I am frank to say, many of us, conservative members of the Club, regarded with a great deal of scepticism, which even our President had to tell you at one time might have to be eked out by having the contractors bear a portion of it; but that entire issue of $300,000 has been sold at par and the money put into the treasury of the Club. I say that is an achievement which every member of the New York A. C. should be proud of, and I also say it is due, more than to all others, to the individual, unremitting and successful efforts of your President, Mr. James Whitely. (Applause.)

"I refer to these facts at this time for a double purpose. Partly to do justice to a fellow member who has given all his time to your service, time that should have been devoted to his own business interests, time that should have been devoted to healthful recuperation. He has been found here day and night. When not here he has been faithfully working and planning how best to carry forward this great project to make it a success. There has never been a project of this sort so far advanced that has been given so clean a shape on the books as this has been. One reason is to do him justice due to his great work, and another is that when you go out from here you will do your best to further his efforts to fill up this subscription to the debenture bonds to the amount of $100,000. You will do it with a feeling that you are simply doing your humble part in backing up this man who has done more than all of us put together could possibly accomplish. I know that fellow feeling will, ordinarily, among club members be a sufficient stimulus, but I also feel that you will look upon it as a labor of love to go out among your friends to bring them into our membership and among your fellow members to get them to aid in making up the subscription. So, it is right to send out this paper and give every member an opportunity, but, as our President has pointed out to you, November 1st is near at hand. Do not wait for your fellow members. Pitch in and fill this up at once. I know you can do it before the week ends if you try."

The natural result of such enthusiasm was immediately forthcoming. Mr. Brent Good started the subscription ball rolling with an offer to take $2,000 of the new bonds. Energetic Governor H. P. Frothingham backed this up with a $1,000 subscription. The movement became spontaneous, and in a very little while nearly $18,000 of the new bonds were taken.

President Whitely ended the meeting with the following appropriate remarks:

"We are very grateful for the interest manifested here to-night, which assures a further interest to be taken outside. We hope to enter the new house without any aggravating debts to encumber us, and when we go there I think the only thing I will say at the opening will be, 'Let joy be unconfined.'"

## WALTER SHERMAN BALDWIN.

THE New York A. C. has never experienced a more deeply felt calamity than the death of Walter S. Baldwin, chairman of its Athletic Committee, who, when apparently in the prime of life, was seized with typhoid fever, to which he succumbed on October 18th. The illness, of which Mr. Baldwin had complained for several weeks, necessitated confinement to his bed on the very day of the Fall games, for the success of which he had so energetically labored.



MR. WALTER S. BALDWIN, CHAIRMAN ATHLETIC COMMITTEE.

Walter S. Baldwin was forty-three years and six months old. He was born in Boston, the pioneers of the family having settled in Massachusetts long ago, and some of them bore arms in the struggle for American independence. He came to New York with his family about twenty years ago, and at the time of his death was the most active partner in the firm of Eli Baldwin & Son, paper-box manufacturers. Sound character, good judgment, energy which never knew fatigue, and spotless honor in all transactions made him a successful man. In social life a nature singularly free from envy and weakness of any sort, and at the same time manly, generous and kind, won for him the respect and friendship of all with whom he associated.

The esteem in which Mr. Baldwin was held by his fellow members is apparent from the action taken by the Club, in general meeting assembled,

which passed the following minute, prepared and offered by Vice-President T. L. Watson, in the respectful solemnity of a rising vote:

"The wisdom of a Divine Providence has called from us one of our most valued and efficient members, and in the unexpected death of Walter S. Baldwin this Club has lost a firm supporter and an earnest and intelligent worker.

"The New York Athletic Club and the Board of Governors, of which he was a valued member, take this means of placing upon the records of the Club their sincere appreciation of his sterling worth and faithful work. He became a member of this club in 1886; was first elected to the Board of Governors in 1895. In 1896 he was appointed chairman of the Athletic Committee, and by virtue of this office became one of the House Committee. He was also a member of the Entertainment Committee, and these positions he held at the date of his death. To the work of the Athletic Committee he devoted his energies with a frank and capable earnestness that brought the best results to the Club. He was universally esteemed by his fellow members, and his place among us will be most difficult to fill, while his genial personality will long be remembered by those who came in contact with him. To his family the Club and the Board of Governors extend their most profound and sincere sympathy."

The following touching tribute was paid to the memory of Walter S. Baldwin by Captain Bartow S. Weeks, who was most closely associated with him in the management of the athletic affairs of the Club:

"This is an occasion when words must prove inadequate to express the feelings of the heart. When I heard of the death of Walter Baldwin, the shock seemed to make my own heart stand still. It seemed almost incredible that the man with whom I had been associated during the past two years, and who but a few weeks ago sat at my own table, had been taken away from the sphere of his usefulness and from the circle of his friends. Generous to a fault, the very embodiment of courtesy, indefatigable in his devotion to duty, always imbued with a sincere love for the club of which he was an officer, his friends have lost a friend that they can never forget, the Club has lost a member who always held its interests dear to his heart, and an officer who always performed every duty assigned to him with signal ability. Whatever of success this great club has enjoyed during the past two years in its athletic department, has been due, if it has been due to any one man, to the continued attention given to the duties of the Athletic Committee by Walter S. Baldwin. I cannot express now, nor do I believe any one ever can express, under such conditions as now exist, the deep sense of the loss that we have suffered, and the minute that has been proposed by General Watson, true as it is in the recital of Mr. Baldwin's devotion to the Club and the loss that the Club sustains, is inadequate to express the feelings of those who knew Walter S. Baldwin."

## LIEUTENANT WISE BREAKS THE RECORD.

LIEUTENANT H. D. WISE, who recently failed on account of bad roads and heavy storms to establish a record between New York and Washington, succeeded in breaking the record between Washington and New York on October 14th. The best previous record for the distance was 36 hours, and, in spite of rain and bad roads, the Lieutenant covered the course in 27 hours and 39 minutes.

The start was made from the Capitol at Washington at 5.10 a. m. A bright moon and good roads rendered riding easy for the first two or three hours. Then a light drizzling rain came on, making the riding disagreeable until 11 o'clock, when the clouds broke. The roads were still sticky and the riding hard against a strong head wind, long and steep hills adding to the difficulties of the ride. The condition of affairs remained the same through Havre de Grace and Newark, Del., when sixty miles of up and down hill had been covered without a level stretch of any length. At one time it took nearly four hours to cover twenty-five miles, the Lieutenant at times having to walk through stretches of mud and sand.

At Newark a tandem from the Wilmington Bicycle Club set the pace to Wilmington, and, although it was impossible to follow the machine very closely, the riders took the Lieutenant along at a fourteen-mile-an-hour gait.

A few minutes' rest was indulged in at Wilmington and a light lunch partaken of before the Lieutenant started behind the fine tandem team. Near Chester his chain jumped the sprocket, and before the wheel could be stopped had torn the rear tire. It was temporarily repaired and the hot pace was continued to Philadelphia, to which city good time was made in spite of delay from two punctures at Chester.

A rub-down and a rest of thirty minutes was taken before the Lieutenant left Philadelphia again under the pacing of a tandem. At Frankford the tandem slipped on the wet road and brought down the record-breaker with it; but, in spite of an injured ankle, good time was made from Frankford to Trenton. Refreshed by a

lunch partaken of there, Princeton and Kingston were made at a strong pace. From Princeton to New Brunswick the pace was slow on account of the roads being poor and the side paths dangerous for night riding.

The Lieutenant at this time began to show the effect of his exertions and loss of sleep, but as daylight came on he revived, and, after a short rest and light lunch at New Brunswick, he was again in good condition and reeled off the four miles to Metuchen at a three-minute clip. From Rahway to Elizabeth the five miles were ridden in fourteen and a half minutes, and the fast pace continued through Newark to Marion. Here again the hard riding began to tell. Stimulated with a drink of whisky and the knowledge that he was approaching the end of his grand effort, the Lieutenant braced up and finished at a hot pace down the Hudson County Boulevard. He reached the City Hall, in New York, at 8.49 a. m. on October 15th.

The following gentlemen are entitled to considerable credit for the admirable manner in which they paced Lieutenant Wise:

Lieutenant H. H. Whitney, U. S. A.; J. N. Thompson, H. S. Whiting, J. F. Broadfoot, of Washington; E. D. Loane, Baltimore; W. R. Weir, W. D. Bush, Jr., William R. Goodley, Wilmington B. C.; W. H. Hollett, J. Minnick, Wilmington; G. Florida, Philadelphia; J. Gabriel, New Brunswick; F. Letson, J. McDowell, Stelton; H. J. Peper, J. W. Davison, New York City.

## FENCING.

THE Fencing Committee anticipate a lively season in the branch of sport which comes under its jurisdiction, and arrangements for instruction during the season have been made. Professor Jacoby has been compelled to relinquish the position of instructor on account of ill-health, but his place will be acceptably filled by Professor Gouspy, who comes from the Racquet Club with a high reputation as an instructor. He will have as assistants James Murray, Jr., and William Koch, who served last year.

The committee hope to see a large number of new faces in the fencing room this year. There is scarcely any exercise more beneficial, and no expense is entailed except for the outfit, as no charge is made for instruction. An inducement for beginners is the opportunity for novices to win prizes in the second-class competition, as there are very few fencers in practice at present eligible to compete in this grade.

The following are the hours of instruction:

FOILS AND SWORDS.

Professor Gouspy, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 3.30 to 7 p. m, and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 10.30 p. m.

James Murray, Jr., Tuesdays Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 3 to 7 p. m.

SABRES.

Wm. Koch, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7 to 10 p. m

## HOCKEY.

THERE is every indication that hockey will be as popular during the coming season as it was last winter. Captain Bartow S. Weeks is doing his utmost to have the club represented by a first-class team, and with the material at the club's disposal there is little doubt that the seven will even be superior to the team which won the championship last year.

Of last year's players the following are available for the coming season: Captain James A. Fenwick, I. A. Lynch, H. Cassels, A. R. Pope, B. Bogert, F. S. Wonham, D. M. Spaulding, G. Macrae, D. E. Cameron, T. E. Tomlinson, D. G. Smyth, R. D. Radcliffe, J. B. Blair, A. J. Kerwin and Guy Miller.

The new blood will include R. R. Wallace and G. Baird, two clever and experienced exponents of the game, who have never played in this vicinity and of whom much is expected. The novices who have so far expressed their intention of taking up the game are E. J. Keane, C. V. N. Radcliffe, B. G. Wilson and D. Campbell.

The headquarters of the club will probably be the St. Nicholas Rink, where the management has offered to provide a special dressing room for the club team. The rink will be open the latter part of November.

First and second teams will be organized, and any member who would like to play the game and try for a position on the team will please notify Athletic Director Giannini.

## YACHTING.

THOSE members interested in yachting are elated over the steady growth of the department. The healthy development of the past few years is more beneficial than a pronounced boom, and likelier to result in the sport permanently retaining its popularity. Already the enthusiastic are discussing the possibility of holding a regatta under the Club's auspices next season, or, failing that, a week's cruise is suggested as a means of promoting good fellowship among the yacht owners and calling attention to the excellent facilities offered by the Club to yachtsmen.

The fleet has recently been reinforced by the addition of the following: Steam yacht Viva, 96 feet over all, owned by Isaac A. Hopper; schooner Lydia, 50 feet 6 inches over all, owned by H. F. G. Wey; catboat Lurline, 26 feet over all, owned by Frederick Griffiths; schooner Klinker, 32 feet over all, owned by the Klinker syndicate.

The repair department is receiving recognition in a manner very gratifying to the committee, the receipts from that source during the past season being $600 more than the previous year. Mr. G. W. Vredenburg has had the old racing sloop Vision, which is 62 feet over all, overhauled, and Dr. Seneca D. Powell has brought his boat back to the island for the winter. Chairman Bronson this season also utilizes the island to lay up his yacht Trochilus, deserting the quarters which he has used for the past ten years.

On October 11th, the day officially set for closing Travers Island, the season was brought to a close, and the flags on the yacht houses and flagpole lowered at noon, the signal gun being fired from the flagship Trochilus, which then went out of commission, an example followed by the Bonnie Kate.

There are still a few boats in commission. Among the lingering ones are Mr. R. W. Rathborne's Io, Mr. J. H. Booth's Mindos, Mr. C. H. Turner's Alpha and Mr. M. W. Bronson's launch Trochilus.

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MEMBERS owning yachts or boats of any kind, not already reported to the Yachting Committee, will oblige by sending the name, length over all, load water line, beam and draft, and also a copy of owner's private signal to the Committee. Members who have disposed of their boats during the past two years will also kindly notify Chairman M. W. Bronson.

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## OPENING SMOKER.

A LARGE crowd attended the opening Smoker of the season, held in the gymnasium, on October 23d. The principal attraction on the programme was Lew Dockstader, whose selections were received with great enthusiasm. The acrobatic song and dances of Daisy Golden were also much appreciated, while Forbes and Doyle caused great amusement by their comic dancing duo. The other performers were Pauline von Arold, songs; the Three Marvels, grotesque acrobats; Edith Murilla, comedy character songs; the Tocaben, mandolin quintette; Marguerite Faure, chanteuse; George W. Day, monologue comedian, and J. P. McSweeney, Thomas Russell and May Duryea, operetta. The next Smoker will be held in the gymnasium on November 6th.

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## A FEW REMINISCENCES,

BY AN OLD-TIMER.

(*Continued from last month.*)

Probably the most impetuous sparrer in the club was Tom Hamblin, whose dashing way of attacking his adversary, friend or foe, earned for him the soubriquet of "Red Hot." He was a big, strong fellow, quite clever, and would be accounted "hot stuff" even in these advanced days. Hamblin was somewhat of a poetaster, too, and a manuscript, in verse, setting forth the abilities and deeds of the heroes of the club, including his own, was tacked to the wall of the exercising room. It had the appearance of poetry, at any rate, for every line commenced with a capital letter and about an inch from the margin of the page. The writer mentions this in the assurance that Tom is either dead, or that, if living, his outside crust, at least, is not so warm as it was in 1866. Another "Hotspur" with the gloves was J. Edward Russell, who, afterward, in 1868, became the first president of the New York A. C., and won the mile walk, open to all amateurs, in the indoor games at the

Empire Rink in the same year. He was well known, by reputation and appearance, to every youth in New York, for he had won the title of "Champion Indian-Club Swinger" in an open competition. At this period, be it remembered, everybody was Indian-club crazy, and club swinging was regarded as a panacea for all ills of the body, as well as the best all-round exercise, somewhat as "biking" is now. Moreover, Kehoe, the clubmaker, had published a portrait of Russell in his book of instructions, taken from a photograph, in which the pectoral muscles, accentuated by a cunning trick of pose and lighting, showed an abnormal development. In fact, if Madame Jumel, whose "Mammarial Balm" was then the sensation of eccentric advertising, could have secured Ed Russell as a boomer, her fortune would have been made, whether he used the "Balm" or not. As it was, his picture sold many a pair of clubs for old Kehoe.

Charlie Roosevelt was a frequent visitor at the rooms, though he seldom donned the gloves. He was chiefly known as an oarsman, having rowed in two successive years in Yale's "Varsity" crew, winning against Harvard, after several years of defeat. He was a good boxer, however, and had been a pupil of William Wood, the trainer, who coached Yale to victory in the years mentioned, and whose sparring room, in Gebhard's Gymnasium, our club was using at this very time. Wood graduated from Ottignon's Academy, and had been a member of the Empire Club, an association of professional oarsmen, rowing on the lower Harlem in the old days. He is still living, and is a hale, hearty old man, surviving many of his young pupils.

Several of our number were members of the Atlantic Rowing Club, of Hoboken, and I think that the six men above mentioned formed the heavy-weight crew that rowed in a regatta on the Hudson in 1867, and from whom great things were expected. Seldom has a boat carried more power; every man was celebrated for some prodigy of strength, and in their preliminary practice they were revered and feared accordingly. It was not logy strength, either; every man was a fair oarsman and a lively and active athlete. But on race day they were ignominiously distanced, and forthwith sensibly disbanded. Power in a boat must be economically applied or it goes to waste. It is probable that the boat was pulled under, rather than over, the water, and hence this ponderous crew came to grief, even as great Casey at the bat sometimes "strikes out."

These were not our only rowing men, for Charlie Kingsley, later secretary of the New York A. C., and Kingsland and Hobson were oarsmen, while Bull, Knowlton and Murray were members of the Viking Boat Club, a college fraternity organization, which was probably the first regularly constituted amateur rowing club to locate on the Harlem River. Their boathouse stood, from 1861 to 1869, at the foot of East 124th street, opposite the entrance to the Harlem Kills and adjoining Kyle's float; their graduate crews rowing at night and the undergraduates in the afternoon. At this time they owned a barge, 35 feet long, built by Newman, and a four-oared outrigger gig. Their uniform was of heavy navy-blue flannel and resembled a real sailor's holiday togs, including the seamless heavy cloth cap with inscribed tarpaulin. It presented quite a contrast to the half-naked style of the present day, but was just as well adapted to the work contemplated, for the rowing was done in heavy boats, and often in heavy weather or at night. The Atalantas, then located at Christopher street and the North River, dressed similarly. Harry Knowlton also belonged to another boating club on the Harlem—the Dual Club, so called because there were only two members in it, himself and Walter Collins. Their floating boathouse was at Reilly's, 130th street and Third avenue, and their fleet a double-scull gig, painted white, and a cedar shell, both built by the celebrated Steve Roberts. The shell was rowed by Harry Knowlton exclusively, at great personal risk. It was, I think, about fifteen inches wide, and spoken of as very cranky. When these frail crafts of that day were not in the water their owners took turns reverently wiping the dust from their varnished sides with fine silk pocket handkerchiefs.

(*To be Continued.*)

THERE is no truth in the rumor that the initiation fee for new members has been waived, and there is no likelihood of such an event occurring, as under present conditions applications for membership are being received daily. The following were elected last month: Samuel Taylor, Jr., T. B. Aldrich, W. H. Birchell, V. C. Brown, B. A. Burns, Otto W. McD. Cushing, Thomas M. Daly, Samuel Ellis, W. J. Hiscox, E. F. Holmes, Dr. J. E. Kelly, J. T. Lentzy, R. B. Ludington, R. A. Palmer, James T. Richards, Edward A. Spengeman, George J. Schoeffel, Edward J. Vanderhove, Dr. C. C. Whitman, Ralph S. Tompkins, Albert Weatherby, Charles L. Roos, W. R. Beal, Albert R. Shattuck, William J. Henley, Daniel A. Moran, Harvey G. Rockwell, Brace Hayden, James W. Cunningham, Frank M. Knight, O. J. Gude, H. M. Levingston, Jr., and George W. Brown.

## A CHOICE DINNER.

INSTEAD of the noise of clashing sword and sabre, the fencing-room on October 28th resounded with the jingling of knife and fork and the merry clinking of glasses as twenty guests of Benjamin A. Jackson toasted his farewell appearance in public as a bachelor.

The dinner was successful beyond expectation. The excellent quality of the cuisine even surprised those members of the Club who have partaken of many recherche dinners in our present quarters, while a merrier party of good fellows never graced a festive board than those who responded to Mr. Jackson's invitation. The decorations were tasteful, and the service all that the most exacting epicure could desire. The guests were:

F. C. Earle, M. S. Paine, F. Dinean, F. Pullman, H. Hall, R. Burns, C. Cromwell, E. Swift, W. F. Mohr, H. G. Silleck, Jr., F. Swain, W. D. Bourne, N. Greenfield, W. Doscher, G. McCloskey, D. J. Campbell, J. Foster, E. Dunphy, D. Gaylord and Arthur J. Moore.

COMMENDABLE efforts have been made by the present Shooting Committee to induce novices to indulge in trap shooting at Travers Island, but, perhaps, the most practical of all is the purchasing of two guns for the free use of members. The innovation is sure to result in a number of converts to the sport, as many who were anxious to try their skill at the traps have been prevented through the lack of guns and a natural reluctance to borrow one from a friend. The guns are to be used exclusively for trap shooting.

## BURLESQUE OPERA IN BLACK.

IT is proposed, and arrangements are being made to burlesque a Gilbert and Sullivan opera this winter, and volunteers are earnestly asked for. The show will be a "black-face" performance, and the plan, as outlined, promises so well that the management feel assured that we will have the greatest club entertainment ever presented. Members who will take part are urged to send their names to the chairman of the Entertainment Committee at once. Rehearsals will commence at an early date. A thoroughly competent director has been secured, and if the members who can sing (and especially those who can read music) will consent to help the good cause along, a most enjoyable evening can be guaranteed. Dr. Burch will be glad at any time to give details, and many arguments why this will be a grand success. Volunteer and do so early and help make this the "banner" New York A. C. entertainment in our club's history.

NOW that the season for indoor exercise has arrived, members will be wise to avail themselves of the opportunity to indulge in systematic gymnastic work. The benefits to be derived from regular exercise in the gymnasium are incalculable. The afternoon session, from 3 to 6, is always well attended, and an hour or two's work serves to relieve the mind after the worries of business, and put an edge on the appetite that no tonic can equal. The work done need not be heavy, and members will find, after a trial, that there is abundance of fun to be obtained in the gymnasium. Athletic Director Giannini or his assistant, David Roach, are always in attendance to prescribe the proper exercise for newcomers.

THE outlook for a successful baseball season next year is very bright. The establishment of a league of amateur clubs to play under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Union is practically assured, and the Baseball Committee of the Club expect to have the New York Athletic Club represented by the best strictly amateur baseball team ever organized in this vicinity. Every position will be occupied by a star player, and the team will be comprised of players whose business allows them every opportunity to practice the team work essential to successful ball-playing. To insure the men being in the best possible condition when the season opens, they will be given a course of preliminary training in the gymnasium, commencing March 1st. As soon as the weather permits it is the intention of the committee to play games with the New York and Brooklyn League teams and the principal colleges, so that by the opening of the Amateur League season the New York A. C. nine will be in winning form.

The interest in baseball has so increased of late that the committee is considering the advisability of organizing a second team. If this is done it will insure frequent games at Travers Island without putting too great a strain upon the crack players.

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THE movement to secure free open-air gymnasiums for New York City should enlist the sympathy and support of every member of the New York A. C. An active campaign is now being conducted by the Metropolitan Association of the A. A. U. and the Turners of this vicinity, and an enthusiastic meeting was held last month, when several committees were appointed to carry out the project if possible. Perhaps the most important of the committees is the one on Legislation, of which ex-President A. G. Mills is chairman. This committee will endeavor to secure the support and interest of the different political parties. Members of the Club will be furthering an excellent object by using their influence toward the same end, and thus help the less fortunate of their fellow-citizens to enjoy the benefits of fresh air and healthful exercise.

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THERE is but little doubt that the Club representatives will make their usual good showing in both the Athletic Bowling League and the Harlem Republican League. In the Athletic League the Orange A. C. is succeeded by the Knickerbocker A. C., the other competitors remaining the same. The games will commence November 16th.

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LAST season the large increase in the wrestling class rendered the engagement of an assistant instructor necessary. George Bothner filled the position acceptably. His place this season will be taken by L. S. Gearhart. The new man weighs 160 pounds.

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FROM statements read at the general meeting on October 20th it appears that the net profits of the Club for the past five years were $155,600, or more than $31,000 per annum.

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A THEATRE party is being arranged to witness the production of "The Highwayman" at the Broadway Theatre, in which Miss Hilda Clark and Mr. Jerome Sykes will appear. For seats (price $3) address Dr. T. Hamilton Burch.

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AN excellent picture of Travers Island is used as a frontispiece this month. The photograph, which depicts a large amount of action, was taken by J. Burton on the day of the Fall Games. Copies of these and other instantaneous photographs taken on the same day may be obtained from him.

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EVERY Saturday morning during the winter months the swimming tank is set apart for the use of members' sons. Many new members may be unaware of this much-appreciated privilege, and will doubtless avail themselves of the opportunity to have their offspring learn to swim under such a clever and watchful instructor as Sundstrom. The hours are from 9 a. m. till noon.

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## PERSONALS.

MUCH excitement was caused by the arrival at Travers Island one day last month of a mysterious looking craft, whose rakish and withal antiquated appearance suggested piracy, smuggling, privateering and other little eccentricities indulged in early in the present century.

The Klinker's history is certainly more respectable than appearances indicate; in fact, she can point with pride to her blemishes, as gained in honorable encounter while doing duty as a whaleboat of the United States warship Wabash. Brought to Travers Island ostensibly for cruising and fishing purposes, there is much speculation as to the real uses to which she will be put. The general belief is that she will be utilized as a navy to protect Huckleberry Island from further invasion by yellow journal reporters. She is to be painted white and decorated with portholes, and will be officered by the following members of the syndicate that owns her: T. F. McAvoy, W. H. Hurst, John Whalen and A. G. Hummel. The christening services will occur on the arrival of the 2.45 p. m. train November 6th.

WHILE E. P. Reynolds was training for the Citizen's Cup race, his scorching gait attracted the attention of a bicycling policeman in the Westchester district, who, considerately, escorted him to a justice. The air of injured innocence with which Eddie explained that he had never been asked to slow up before, coupled with his natural winning manner, secured his immediate release, however, without the usual fine being imposed.

DR. SENECA D. POWELL sailed his yacht down from New London to Travers Island about the middle of October. Among his guests on board were Secretary John C. Gulick and Governor Louis H. Orr. The Club had a narrow escape from losing three valuable officials, as the boat had to put into the harbor to escape the storm, and only skillful seamanship prevented the yacht being blown on a lee shore.

THE sixty-yard handicap at the Twelfth Regiment games, October 25th, was won by B. W. Wenman, of the New York A. C. W. H. Morgan, a fast sprinter several years ago, competed for the first time under New York A. C. colors in the same race, but slipped at the start of his heat.

VICE-PRESIDENT THOMAS L. WATSON, in addition to devoting much time to the meetings of the Building and Finance Committee of the Club, is a member of a committee of three, appointed to superintend the erection of a new clubhouse for the Atlantic Yacht Club at Norton's Point.

MR. H. G. STEAVENSON, who was known as a good fellow, although he did not enhance his reputation as a sprinter while here with the London Athletic Club team, has been elected Town Clerk of Darlington, to succeed his father, who died recently.

MR. BENJAMIN A. JACKSON was married at St. Matthew's Church on November 3d to Miss Sadie L. Paine. The ushers were W. C. Doscher, Nelson Greenfield, H. G. Silleck, Jr., William Barclay Bourne. Mr. W. F. Mohr was the best man.

MR. E. VON DER HORST KOCH, who won first prize for tandem driving at the Westchester Horse Show, lost control of his team at MacGowan's Pass on October 27th. The leader ran two miles before stopping. Mr. Koch sustained several bruises.

MR. J. D. REYNOLDS will henceforth be known as Josephus, for while delving into the classics he has at last discovered the tune which Nero played while Rome burned—"There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night."

J. H. ABEEL and C. C. HIBBARD had four days' duck shooting at Bellport, L. I., last month. On their return they distributed the fowl bagged among their friends.

CAPTAIN BARTOW S. WEEKS was elected Vice-President of the Metropolitan Association of the A. A. U. at the annual meeting, held October 18th.

MR. J. D. PROBST, JR., one of the most constant visitors at Travers Island, has moved from Pelham Manor to Englewood, N. J.

MR. JOHN FLANAGAN, the hammer-throwing champion, has left New York to accept a business position in Montreal.

THE friends of Mr. George Andrea will be glad to hear that he has recovered from his recent indisposition.

DR. J. A. BOOTH is one of the prominent clubmen, whose biographies appear in the September issue of *Club Life*.




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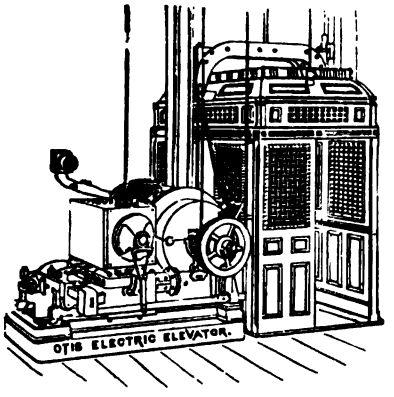
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Contributions of all kinds, on topics of interest, are cordially invited. Reading matter should, when possible, be in the hands of the Editor by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Address all communications to the Editor of the New York Athletic Club Journal, 104 W. 55th St., N. Y. City.

## THE NEW CLUBHOUSE.

AS the new clubhouse approaches completion, the Building and Finance Committee is giving more consideration than ever to the detail of service and appointments necessary to secure a maximum of comfort for the members who will have apartments there, as well as those who will use the building as a clubhouse only. With the practical experience gained in the present house as a guide the Committee is in a position to ensure an improvement on all methods now in vogue.

The sleeping rooms provided for the use of members will unquestionably be in demand. They are all commodious, well lighted and are arranged en suite and singly. Every room will have telephone connection with the main office and with all other parts of the house. The rooms which are en suite are arranged with open fire places, private baths, and ample closet room for clothes, shoes, etc. Storage rooms for trunks are provided on each floor, and shower baths are easily accessible through private halls.

A feature of the arrangement of rooms which will be appreciated, is the setting apart of several suites, which can be used jointly by two members. These have separate bed-rooms, dressing-rooms and wash-rooms, but a parlor for common use; a sociable provision that will surely meet with popular favor.

The rooms will be fully decorated, and the attendance will be equal, if not superior, to anything in the city.

The decorators are now at work in the dining and breakfast rooms; an original and manifest improvement over the old system of transmitting orders will be placed in these rooms. By means of pneumatic tubes, each waiter will send his own order direct from the dining or breakfast room, thus obviating the delay and liability to mistake occasioned by transferring the order to a third person as previously the rule. When the order is ready, an annunciator displays the waiter's number, and the meal can be served without delay.

## MEMBERSHIP INCREASING.

THE movement started at the recent general meeting, to fill the membership roll of the club before taking possession of the new clubhouse, is developing with surprising rapidity. The members now appear fully aware of the necessity for filling up the ranks of the club, and the number of propositions received too late for consideration at the regular November meeting necessitated the calling of a special Board meeting to dispose of the applications. Fifty members were elected at the meeting, of which a fair proportion were life members. The advantages of non-resident membership are evidently appealing to the residents of other cities, for there were eleven elections to that class.

A number of transfers to life membership were made, and altogether the proceedings indicated a repetition of the rush for membership, which occurred when the present clubhouse was first occupied. Members who have in view friends whom they wish to propose would be wise to send in their names at once, and avoid the con-

tingency likely to arise shortly of a waiting list. Those elected at the meeting on November 26th were:

LIFE.

William H. Perkins, Bernard G. Gunther, Richard Croker, Clarkson Cowl, C. D. Robins and E. George Schamp.

RESIDENT.

William A. Lentilhon, Henry C. Davis, Robert E. Tod, David S. Walton, Jr., Charles La Vake, H. J. Weber, J. L. Wilkin, William F. Ross, August F. Jaccaci, John S. Phillips, Frank B. Hurd, William S. Hawk, Thomas A. De Witt, William A. Kane, E. C. Jameson, Walter R. Patten, Dyer B. Holmes, Frank Brookfield, Charles B. Dale, H. C. Brown, Frank A. Roy, E. T. H. Gibson, William B. Dillon, Henry B. Howell, Charles A. Pearson, Austin R. Baldwin, Stephen H. Mason, Jr., and Dr. Samuel Alexander.

NON-RESIDENT.

John T. McRoy, John H. Hall, Benjamin F. Reist, Capt. G. W. Mason, Robert M. Snyder, George H. Day, George S. Knowlton, Samuel Rea, Leo Mardus, M. Van Gelder and Joseph Wheelock, Jr.

JUNIOR.

Harry F. Gruner, Laurence F. Peck and Albert J. Netler.

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## YACHTING.

IN order that a proper record may be kept, those members owning boats who have not already reported to the Yachting Committee, will oblige by sending the name, length over all, load water-line, beam and draft, and also a copy of owner's private signal. Members who have disposed of their boats during the past two years will also please notify Chairman M. W. Bronson.

The following boats are laid up at Travers Island for the winter: Sailing craft, Vision, Trochilus, Rajah, Io, Bonnie Kate, Kelpie, Marjorie, Nomad, Chin Chin, Alpa, Phantom, Loafer, Elver, Venture, Jester, Jane S., Sylvia, Narriock, Louisa, Greta, Wahneta, Hyale, Thermes, Ada, Oneata, Water Way, Mahoney, May, Zarah, Klinker; Naphtha and steam launches Surprise, Minstrel and Trochilus.

## THE CITIZENS CUP.

FOR the first time since the institution of the race for the Citizens Cup, that event was not decided on Election Day. The heavy rain made it impossible to decide it on the day fixed and a postponement to the following Saturday was inevitable. Unquestionably this had the effect of reducing the number of starters, as only half of those entered appeared at the post.

It was found impracticable to decide the event over the beautiful stretch of road through Pelham Parkway, and the committee finally selected the Shore road leading in the opposite direction, which, though far inferior for racing, was less liable to place the competitors in danger of arrest for scorching.

A small crowd of spectators assembled to witness the start at the junction of the Shore and Depot roads, among them being Mr. J. C. Babcock, one of the founders of the club, and ex-President Jennings S. Cox, both enthusiastic wheelmen.

The course led eastward on the Shore road to Echo avenue, thence north to the Boston Post road, which was followed eastward until the seven and a half miles were covered, when the turn for home was made, and the same course followed back to Travers Island. The west wind favored the competitors on the outward journey, and a fast pace was indulged in until Davenport's Neck was reached. There a sewer was being constructed and the road for a short distance was unridable. In dismounting and scrambling over the obstructions, Relyea and Reynolds, who had practiced over the obstacles, gained considerably. At the Echo avenue turn, Mr. H. G. Barnard and Mr. J. C. Howard directed the contestants, and at this early stage it was evident that the back-markers would not be able to concede Relyea his allowance, for, aided by his thorough knowledge of the course, he was spinning along as fast as the scratch man. In going through Mamaroneck the riders were warned not to exceed a six-mile-an-hour pace, and all the contestants were in danger of arrest, except Governor Henry, who is said to have slowed up in respect for the Mamaroneck authorities.

After the riders passed Secretary Gulick, who

officiated at the turn, their real troubles began; most of them felt the effect of the fast pace, and were in poor condition to face the gale which blew almost directly in their faces on the return stretch. The rolling and hilly ground over which the course lay told on the most sturdy riders under the adverse conditions, and E. J. Benson, who rode a high gear, was forced to relinquish the struggle.



C. M. RELYEA.

When Relyea reached the advance scouts at Echo avenue not another competitor was in sight on the three-quarter mile stretch of the Post road. It was five minutes before C. K. Alley and E. P. Reynolds turned into Echo avenue in close company. Reynolds had nearly caught up the two minutes' handicap conceded Alley, but the veteran was by no means done with, and try as he would, Reynolds could not get away from him, and after riding together for the last mile and a half, Alley showed that he still retains a burst of speed by beating his younger rival in the sprint at the finish. Dr. Seneca D. Powell, J. W. Carter and M. L. Bridgman officiated at the start and finish, and returned the following official figures:

| Order of Finish. | Name. | Handicap. | Actual Time. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | C. M. Relyea | 6 min. | 51 min. 37 1-5 sec. |
| 2 | Charles K. Alley | 3 " | 53 " 1 " |
| 3 | E. P. Reynolds | 1 " | 51 " 1 1-5 " |
| 4 | W. D. Bourne. | 5 " | 55 " 38 " |
| 5 | Dr. F. A. Myrick | Scratch | 51 " 38 3-5 " |
| 6 | Dr. W. W. Gilfillan | 5 min. | 59 " 28 " |
| 7 | D. T. Garrie | 12 " | 67 " 1 4-5 " |
| 8 | Theodore E. Belts | 3 " 30 sec. | 60 " 28 " |
| 9 | Douglas Henry. | 4 " | 63 " 15 " |
| 10 | John B. Yates | 7 " | 68 " 5 " |

## JACOBY TESTIMONIAL.

THE fencers of New York have suffered a severe loss by the death, on November 18th, of Professor Jacoby, who, until his illness necessitated his retirement, was the instructor of the New York A. C. His pupils speak in the highest terms of his skill as a fencer and of his unusual ability to impart knowledge to others. Professor Jacoby's long illness was a considerable drain upon his finances, and a testimonial benefit is being arranged for his widow and children. The entertainment will be conducted under the joint auspices of the New York A. C., the Fencers' Club and the Racquet and Tennis Club. It will take place in December, and considering the number of society persons who received instruction from Jacoby, there is no doubt of the late fencer's family receiving a substantial recognition of the esteem in which he was held.

The programme is already under consideration and will include the Grand salute and bout with foils by Professor Gouspy, of the N. Y. A. C., and Professor Vauthier, of the Fencers' Club. There will be contests with duelling swords, bayonets and sabres.

As a diversion, Canne will be introduced, and the programme will be further varied by exhibitions with the quarterstaff by Dr. G. M. Hammond and Dr. B. F. O'Connor, and with Japanese sticks by Samuel T. Shaw and Charles A. Tatham.

A LIST has been placed at the office of the Club for members who desire to subscribe for the family of the late Professor Jacoby.

# Our Official Bulletin.

Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

**December 11—Smoking Concert in Gymnasium.**

**January 1—Annual New Year's Collation, 1 to 6 p. m.**

## CROSS-COUNTRY.

**January 1—Paper Chase from Travers Island, arrival of 10.45 a. m. train.**

## HOCKEY.

**December 9—New York A. C. vs. Brooklyn S. C., at St. Nicholas Rink.**

**December 23—New York A. C. vs. St. Nicholas, at St. Nicholas Rink.**

**December 29—New York A. C. vs. Hockey Club, at St. Nicholas Rink.**

## BOWLING.

**December 8—New York A. C. vs. Knickerbocker A. C., on Knickerbocker Alleys.**

**December 15—New York A. C. vs. Jersey City Club, on Jersey City Alleys.**

**December 22—New York A. C. vs. Roseville A. A., on N. Y. A. C. Alleys.**

**December 29—New York A. C. vs. Elizabeth A. C., on Elizabeth Alleys.**

**January 3—New York A. C. vs. Montclair Club, on Montclair Alleys.**

## WATER POLO.

ALTHOUGH it is scarcely likely that any important water polo games will be played until the new year, the club players are already in practice, and the outlook for the season is receiving attention.

It is extremely likely that the game will receive an impetus by its addition to the list of college sports. It is almost certain that the University of Pennsylvania will have a team in the tank this season. Dr. Neumann, the Austrian champion, is now taking a course at the university, and so is H. Kollock, the fast Philadelphia swimmer. It is expected they will form the nucleus of a formidable team. The Knickerbocker A. C. and the Thirteenth Regiment teams are already in practice; while Chicago is more enthusiastic than ever over the game. The Chicago A. A. has two teams playing the game, and will doubtless make another attempt to wrest the championship from the New York A. C.

A communication from Dr. Neumann suggests the advisability of abandoning the rules now in vogue and returning to the regular American game, made popular when the sport was first introduced here. The players in all the clubs that give attention to the game now favor the old rules and the probability is that they will be reinstated before any more championship games are decided.

The preliminary practice shows that the New York A. C. team will be as strong, or stronger, than ever. W. G. Douglas, who won the half-mile swimming championship at the World's Fair meeting in Chicago, and who is a first-class water polo player, has returned to New York and expresses his intention of taking up the old sport. A recruit who takes the rather unpleasant medicine administered by our players in the tank, as though he likes it, is A. Elliot Ranney, son of Dr. A. L. Ranney, and he is expected to develop into a good player. Of the old players, the following have put in an appearance for practice: Dr. J. M. Davis, W. E. Dickey, F. A. Wenck, Dr. Hall, A. L. Paynter, D. M. Reeder, F. G. Gillespie and W. D. Lyon.

## HOCKEY.

DURING the past month the Amateur Hockey League has been actively engaged with preparations for what promises to be a most successful season. The development of this sport, since the New York A. C. added it to its repertoire, has been wonderfully rapid, and the indications are that great as the interest was in the games of last season, it will be dwarfed by the enthusiasm which the meeting of the crack teams will arouse during the coming winter.

In the hurried formation of the League the New York Hockey Club, one of the strongest teams in the vicinity, was unavoidably excluded from membership. This left the championship practically a duel between the New York A. C. and the St. Nicholas Skating Club, in which the New York A. C. proved victorious.

The organizers of the League have been successful in obtaining all the representative clubs as members for the ensuing season, and the team winning the most games of the series arranged will be unquestionably entitled to the championship.

The New York Hockey Club, on being admitted to membership, was accorded permission to change its name to the Hockey Club of New York, and thus any possible confusion with the New York A. C. team is avoided.

The League is further augmented by the admission to membership of the Montclair A. C., whose team made a good showing last season, but the Crescent Athletic Club has not entered any team this year.

The championship series commences on December 9th with a game between the Brooklyn Skating Club and the New York A. C. at the St. Nicholas Rink, and ends on March 26th, twenty games being required to decide the championship.

The New York A. C. players commenced practice on November 26th, when the attendance exceeded the most sanguine expectations of Athletic Director Giannini, who has charge of the practice work. Nearly thirty men were on the ice, all anxious to make a place on either the first or second team. Great enthusiasm was displayed, and the novices adapted themselves to the game so quickly that the selection of a second team, which will rank very close to most first teams, is assured, while the speed and accuracy exhibited by last season's champions showed them to be in fair form after their long rest, and all connected with the team are impressed with the chance of the New York A. C. to retain the championship. The teams will practice at the St. Nicholas Rink on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30 p. m. The following appeared on the first practice night: B. Bogert, J. A. Fenwick, F. S. Wonham, I. A. Lynch, O. C. Watters, G. B. Macrae, B. Baird, R. R. Wallace, T. E. Tomlinson, D. G. Smyth, W. A. Belden, E. J. Keane, C. W. Scott, I. A. Powell, A. J. Kerwin, J. B. Blair, R. D. Radcliffe, C. V. N. Radcliffe, A. R. Pope, F. D. P. Veiller and D. Campbell.

### SCHEDULE AMATEUR HOCKEY LEAGUE.

Season 1897-98.

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| 1897. | | |
| Dec. 9. | Brooklyn S. C. | New York A. C. at St. Nicholas. |
| Dec. 16. | Hockey Club | Montclair A. C. at Ice Palace. |
| Dec. 22. | Hockey Club | Brooklyn S. C. at Clermont Ave. |
| Dec. 23. | New York A. C. | St. Nicholas at St. Nicholas. |
| Dec. 28. | Montclair A. C. | St. Nicholas at Clermont Ave. |
| Dec. 29. | Hockey Club | New York A. C. at St. Nicholas. |
| 1898. | | |
| Jan. 5. | Brooklyn S. C. | Montclair A. C. at Clermont Ave. |
| Jan. 13. | Hockey Club | St. Nicholas at Ice Palace. |
| Jan. 19. | Montclair A. C. | New York A. C. at Clermont Ave. |
| Jan. 25. | Brooklyn S. C. | St. Nicholas at St. Nicholas. |
| Feb. 2. | Hockey Club | Montclair A. C. at Clermont Ave. |
| Feb. 9. | Hockey Club | Brooklyn S. C. at Ice Palace. |
| Feb. 12. | Montclair A. C. | St. Nicholas at St. Nicholas. |
| Feb. 17. | Brooklyn S. C. | New York A. C. at Clermont Ave. |
| Feb. 24. | Hockey Club | St. Nicholas at St. Nicholas. |
| Mch. 2. | Brooklyn S. C. | Montclair A. C. at Clermont Ave. |
| Mch. 8. | Hockey Club | New York A. C. at Ice Palace. |
| Mch. 15. | Brooklyn S. C. | St. Nicholas at Clermont Ave. |
| Mch. 22. | Montclair A. C. | New York A. C. at St. Nicholas. |
| Mch. 26. | New York A. C. | St. Nicholas at St. Nicholas. |

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AT the theatre party being arranged to witness "The Highwayman" at the Broadway Theatre on December 18th, seats will be limited to one hundred. The purpose is to welcome Miss Hilda Clark and Mr. Jerome Sykes, and members may invite ladies to join the party. To allow for the special souvenir of the occasion which will be presented to each seat holder, the box office price of $2 has been increased to $3. Members desiring seats will please address Dr. T. Hamilton Burch.

## A FEW REMINISCENCES,

BY AN OLD-TIMER.

*(Continued from last month.)*

William L. Bull, after the first few meetings, at any rate, was not a very active member of the boxing club, his business and social duties already making inroads on his time, but he had been favorably known as a good sparrer at Wood's Gymnasium. In fact, the only fragment of Tom Hamblin's poem the writer of these reminiscences can conjure up is the line:

"You'll find quite a slogger in handsome Bill Bull."

He was a compactly built man and a clever gymnast. He has since attained fame in other ways, having served two successive terms as president of the New York Stock Exchange and is recognized as an expert on the reorganization of railroads.

Harry Knowlton was a plucky little boxer, and, though hardly weighing more than the feather-weight limit, generally made it lively for his larger opponents by his impetuous and continuous attacks. His characteristic was energy. The present organization of the Athletic Club owes its record of uninterrupted existence to Harry Knowlton's personal and financial aid, for he and his intimate chum, Collins, fairly carried the club on their backs for several years of its history in the seventies.

A sturdy sparrer of the so-called "welter" class, somewhere between light and middle-weight, was Theodore Wilson, still a member of the New York A. C. He was remarkable for his muscular development, the result of systematic exercise at Wood's Gymnasium. Under a skin as fine and smooth as satin his muscles played in knots and bunches, every separate fibre showing distinctly. He kept himself in almost too fine condition, and was perpetually on the verge of growing stale, but made an admirable set-to, being gifted with the utmost good nature and a coolness quite in contrast with the nervous character of his strength.

Billy Henry, then, and probably still, on the staff of the "Evening Telegram," was another welter-weight, who could make the heavier men hustle a bit. His height and reach, combined with very strong arms and wrists, made him a remarkably effective counter-hitter. Years afterward, when Henry was working at Professor McClellan's Haymarket Academy, to keep from becoming a heavy-weight before his time, Jim Reynolds, become a white-haired veteran, would drop in to while away an hour and see the boys work; and it was McClellan's delight to make Jim's old pupils, then in his charge, of whom the writer was one, show off before him. On these occasions Mac would give openings and take big thumps on the face and stomach to try and convince Reynolds that he had made them much cleverer than Jim ever was himself.

The shortest man in the club was Vincent le Compte, a little sawed-off athlete, but a veritable pocket Hercules. His peculiar build made him admirable on the parallel bars, on which he could perform feats impossible to most men, but he never could spar effectively. He was shoulder-bound, if any man ever was; and although he had a fighting mug, intensified by a flattened nose, the result of some accident of childhood, he made slow progress under Reynolds' careful teaching.

Such was the cradle in which the infant of athletics in America was nurtured, for the following year, on August 27, 1868, a majority of the members of this little boxing club met at the Knickerbocker Cottage, on Sixth avenue, and, with some others, proceeded to form a new organization on broader and more comprehensive lines, under the title of the New York A. C., which is to-day the greatest association of the kind in the world.

Athletics without boxing had no charms for Old-Timer at this stage of his life, and the transfer of his domicile to Harlem kept him out of the way of his old comrades for several years. In the early seventies, however, the New York A. C. having meantime established a boathouse and track on the banks of the Harlem River, and the Nassau Boat Club, late of the Hudson River, having its headquarters adjoining, with crews in training, the oarsmen found it advantageous to hire a dwelling to lodge and board the members of both clubs who wished to live near their favorite recreation. In this "bachelor's hall," a modest brownstone house in 128th street, east of Third avenue, many a friendly bout with the gloves took place; the back parlor, the full width of the house, being kept uncarpeted for the pur-

pose. Harry Knowlton, Charlie Cone and the writer often performed there, and it was the interest taken in these impromptu exercises that induced the latter to organize, with the assistance of Edward Merritt, then a promising young athlete, the Harlem Boxing and Fencing Club, the membership of which was largely recruited from the ranks of the New York A. C. Indeed, all its officers, and they were residents of Harlem, belonged to that organization, for the president was Major George Moore Smith, since Colonel of the Sixty-ninth Regiment and now Police Commissioner. James Fraser was secretary, and Edward Reeve Merritt, treasurer. An unoccupied store in Park avenue, near 131st street, three rooms deep, was hired at a moderate rental; the large outer room being used as a sparring room, the middle room as a gymnasium, fitted up with the inevitable parallel bars, clubs and bells, while the back room, where a stove was maintained, served as dressing-room and lavatory. The fees and dues were too light to admit of engaging a professional teacher in accordance with the original scheme, and recourse was had to home talent. William M. Murray, therefore, acted as instructor in boxing. It was not his first experience in teaching, for he had given the Knowlton brothers, Bull and others of his college friends, their first instruction in the manly art, and had also organized and taught a sparring club in 1866, which met in an upper room in Clinton Hall, Astor Place, once a week. He now initiated all the beginners of the Harlem club in the rudiments as a duty, and sparred with those more expert by way of rest and recreation. Working with six or eight men every evening, he soon learned to economize his strength and adopted the trick of ending his lessons in the Reynolds style, i. e., omitting the expected counter and timing his duck so as to receive the panting and over-reaching boxer exhausted in his arms. This, he thought, rendered the occasion more impressive, and increased the respect with which the teacher ought ever to be regarded by his pupil. Tom Keator, Tom Rice, Joe Muir, Gaspar Barnette and other members of the Athletics and Nassaus, living or boarding in Harlem, were among our active practitioners, and to increase our agility we introduced the noble game of handball, to the great damage of the new plaster on the walls. Saturday nights were devoted to exhibition sparring, and Charlie Cone, Fitz Hines, Louis Mack and Theodore Roehner often dropped in as visitors and occasionally performed for our edification.

It was in these rooms that A. C. Saportas was prepared, under the careful coaching of Gap Barnette, for the first contest for the light-weight championship of the New York A. C. in which he contended against E. J. Hudson. Barnette taught Saportas to fight for the trophy rather than to spar; not bad advice in Saportas's case. The latter was a good-looking, sturdy little chunk, strong as a bull and hairy as a goat, whose thick arms and wrists favored aggressive tactics. Ed Hudson was naturally a light sparrer, very graceful in his movements, and had been trained for this event by Professor Judd. He had considerable difficulty at first in opposing Saportas in his fierce rushes, and received not a little punishment. He managed, however, to preserve his form all through the four rounds, and won the championship on points. These laurels did not rest easily on the brow of the genial Edward. The heavy and middle weight champions, Buermeyer and Roehner, were so much above their club mates in their respective classes that they were not likely to be disturbed in the possession of their honors; but there were enough uneasy spirits among the light-weights to render a periodical challenge not at all unlikely. The duty of remaining continually in a condition of good training and ready for a possible tough encounter, the medal being a challenge trophy, finally induced Hudson, who was rather fond of social enjoyments, to return the troublesome token to the possession of the club for general competition. There it remained undisturbed for a long period, until finally found by Athletic Director Giannini about three years ago, among some old properties in a forgotten drawer, and put up anew by him for informal competition. After a series of spirited bouts in the dormitory of the Travers Island clubhouse, the medal was won by Normandie Murray, in whose possession it remains.

The fencing department of the Harlem Club was conducted by Gaspar C. Barnette, who had

learned the art while a naval cadet at Annapolis. The foils were never very popular with the members, although "Gap" was a painstaking and capable instructor. We wore masks, but no jackets, and a sleeveless undershirt proved a sorry protection against the yard of steel, with a button on the end of it liable to come off in a rough bout. But we all liked to look on, and especially to see Barnette and Major Smith fence on Saturday nights and the exhibitions with which Charlie Cone occasionally favored us. Charlie was a self-taught fencer, and brought his boxing tactics into play in his practice of the sister art. Prince Henri, or even the Count of Turin himself, would have stood little show in a duel with Charlie Cone. As in sparring, he was fond of administering the "postman's rap"—a sharp double hit on some vulnerable spot, so he believed in following up his advantage when he landed home in fencing. He never would have allowed the seconds time to examine the wounds to see if the man were dead or not, and he did not pay any attention to rules. He, therefore, stood in a class by himself as far as fencing was concerned. His boxing was much better, and as he had been trained in a rough school by constant practice with the redoubtable Frank Kinney, he always made an interesting and lively set-to. He was especially adroit in the use of his head in in-fighting, and would generally come out of a sharp rally unscathed. He used both hands with equal facility, and did not slug in friendly bouts, in which he invariably engaged with the utmost relish and good humor.

The Harlem Boxing and Fencing Club went out of existence in 1875, and though, when it was wound up, there was no dividend for the members, it left behind it no debts, and its funeral expenses were promptly and fully paid. In the spring of the following year the writer, Old-Timer, found, at last, that he could not do without the New York A. C., and, accordingly, became an active member in April, 1876. He has not been able to do without it since.

THE END.

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A silver matchbox was found in the clubhouse on November 24th.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6, 1897.

*To the Editor:*

In your November issue, under the heading, "A Few Reminiscences by an Old-Timer," I note reference is made to Tom Hamblin, and that the writer states that he is not aware whether Hamblin is still alive or not.

It might be of interest to other "Old Timers" to know that the present writer had the pleasure of dining with Hamblin, some four years ago, in London. He had a most charming home at that time, having married an English lady, and had three lovely little girls. He was as handsome as ever, and strong and vigorous, and seemingly very contented with life.

At that time, he expressed his intention of going to the Argentine. The writer has not been in London but twice since, and then only for two days each time, so he has not had an opportunity to find out whether Mr. Hamblin carried out his then expressed intention or not.

AN OLD CLUB MEMBER.

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A MOST important addition to sporting literature is "A Handbook of Wrestling," by Hugh F. Leonard, the well-known instructor of the New York A. C. The book is the best, most practical, and, in fact, the only complete treatise on the subject ever published.

The chapter on "Catch-as-catch-can" style, covering two hundred and twenty pages, is one of the principal features. The explanatory reading matter is opposite the corresponding cut, in each case. The two hundred and twenty half-tone cuts illustrating positions were made from instantaneous photographs expressly taken for this work.

The three other chapters are "Historical Review," "Fundamental Principles" and "Other Styles of Wrestling."

The book will be delivered post-paid on receipt of the price, $2, which may be sent to Hugh F. Leonard, 568 Fifth avenue.

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ON New Year's Day the usual collation will be served in the clubhouse from 1 to 6 p. m., and, as in previous years, the day will undoubtedly serve as an occasion for the renewal and cementing of old friendships.

## SMOKING CONCERTS.

FROM the opening to the close of the smoker on November 6th there was not a dull moment, every number having evidently been selected with the greatest care. The verdict of the large audience was that the entertainment was one of the best ever given in the clubhouse. Through the kindness of Mr. Louis Melcher, who volunteered the services of the Fidicinia Orchestra, the programme opened with some high-class instrumental selections, which were thoroughly appreciated. Mr. Vess L. Ossman, the banjoist who made a hit at the club clambake,duplicated it by his playing before the larger audience. The excellence of the artists who completed the programme will be recognized by a glance at the following names: Maud Raymond, serio comic; Charles B. Ward, the original Bowery boy; the Two Dons, comedy acrobats and burlesque boxers; Kitty Mitchell, comedienne; the De Fillippes, International dancers; Jones, Grant and Jones, the three real coons; and Josephine Sabel, songs.

VOLUNTEER numbers contributed largely to the success of the smoking concert on November 20th. Mr. Charles J. Ross rattled off a few selections in his inimitable style, and received an enthusiastic recall, to which he could not respond on account of his theatrical engagement.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Alfred A. Aarons Miss Marie Lloyd, the famous English serio comic singer, volunteered and rendered a number of songs in a most artistic manner. One of the best numbers on the programme was the impromptu effort of Mr. Celli, who kindly volunteered at the suggestion of Mr. Lyman Brown. Mr. Celli's three songs were enthusiastically received. The other artists were Post and Clinton, comedy sketch; Carver and Black, eccentric singing; W. H. McCart, monologue; Gertrude Haynes, instrumentalist; Seymour and Simpson, change artists; Hayes and Gilroy, dancing comedians; Nellie Burt, vocalist and dancer; Haines and Pettingill, right and left bowers.

THE Pastime Athletic Club has remained steady and conservative among the ups and downs of athletics, and has survived many more pretentious rivals. It celebrated its twentieth anniversary by a reception on Thanksgiving Eve. Among those who turned out to do homage to the plucky Pastime boys were J. J. O'Brien, Robert Stoll, C. G. Bothner, T. A. Collett, L. R. Sharp and E. C. Carter, of the New York A. C., most of whom graduated in athletics while members of the P. A. C.

## NOVEMBER VISITORS.

AMONG those who received the privileges of the New York A. C. last month were visitors from fourteen States of the Union. Residents of foreign countries are also well represented in the following list of those who received two weeks' cards:

| VISITOR. | RESIDENCE | INTRODUCED BY |
|---|---|---|
| W. H. Cornwell, | Honolulu. | J. C. Wilson, Jr. |
| F. Vivian Gooch, | Windsor, Eng. | George B. Hulme. |
| A. Cameron, Jr., | Richmond, Va. | S. B. Baldwin. |
| Dr. G. H. Stubles, | Atlanta, Ga. | H. E. Stafford. |
| Gayle F. Forbush, | Boston, Mass. | George S. Forbush. |
| J. D. Steinmetz, | Philadelphia, Pa. | W. E. Dickey. |
| Harry Steinmetz, | Philadelphia, Pa. | W. E. Dickey. |
| Geo. Holderness, | Clara, Brazil. | Geo. K. McLeod. |
| James Elmsly, | Montreal. | Geo. K. McLeod. |
| Dr. W. Wood, Jr., | New Orleans, La. | Geo N. Hartman. |
| F. S. Mills, | Fairfield, Conn. | John T. Farley. |
| A. Van A. Winans, | St. Augustine, Fla. | G B. Watts, Jr. |
| Dr. P Neumann, | Chicago, Ill. | F. A. Wenck. |
| Dr. C. W. Bishop, | Quebec, Can | H. E. Stafford. |
| D. Spotswood, | Petersburg, Pa. | Frank Keck. |
| H. R. Craig, | Lima, Pa. | C. S. Secor. |
| H. M. Weith, | Worthville, N. C. | N. M. Smith, Jr. |
| Col. T. P. Farley, | Pittsburg, Pa. | G. P. Farley. |
| E. Roberts, | London, Eng. | J. H. Mannigan. |
| H. E Vickers, | Cincinnati, O. | H. E Dickinson. |
| Edwin A. Denham, | London, Eng. | Carlos H. Howard. |
| Lester O. Peck, | San Francisco, Cal. | L. M. Lawson, Jr. |
| H. S. Ross, | U. S. Navy. | Edw. E. Williams. |
| Y. P. Marshall, | Lynchburg, Pa. | George M. Breck. |
| George McAvity, | N. Brunswick, Can | J. L. Thomas. |
| Fred Sterry, | Hot Springs, Va. | Hunter Wykes. |
| Stephen F. Sears, | Brookline, Mass. | H. E. Powers. |
| A. W. Wyatt, | London, Eng. | E. C. Carter. |
| C. L. McHenry, | Pittsburg, Pa. | F. S. Wonham. |
| H. D. Graff, | Pittsburg, Pa. | F S. Wonham. |
| E. S Allen, | San Francisco, Cal. | F. L. Slazenger. |
| Willard White, | Boston, Mass. | Geo. S. Forbush. |
| W. J. Atkins, | Pittsburg, Pa. | D. M. Fernandes. |
| George P. Willett, | Portland, Ore. | Bartow S. Weeks. |
| R. M. Fitzgerald, | Oakland, Cal. | Bartow S. Weeks. |
| Samuel Slater, | Boston, Mass. | James E. Kelly. |
| C. P. Willard, | Gloversville, N.Y. | D. M. Fernandes. |
| D. B. Duncomb, | Gloversville, N.Y. | D. M. Fernandes. |
| Guy Hart, | Halifax, N. S. | Beverly Bogert. |
| Norwood Duffus, | Halifax, N. S. | Beverly Bogert. |
| Elliott Wagaman, | Washington, D. C. | Dr. T. H. Burch. |
| W. W. Field, | Denver, Col. | L M. Lawson, Jr. |
| H. M. Butler, | Boston, Mass. | Elliott Burris. |
| E. W. Croscer, | St, Louis, Mo. | E. J. Fenlon. |
| Jos. W. Wheelock, | Chicago, Ill. | J. H. Booth. |
| J. A. Phillips, | Chicago, Ill | E. F. Holmes. |
| A. H. Allen, | Ithaca, N. Y. | J. M. Herbert. |
| Sidney Bellemy, | London, Eng. | J. H. Mannigan. |

## A CARD TO THE MEMBERS.

A GRAND PERFORMANCE OF THE OPERA "MIKADO" JUST TOUCHED UPON.

The Mikado (an old sport).
Nanki-Poo (his son, disguised as a nigger minstrel and dead stuck on Yum-Yum).
Ko-Ko (Marquis de Ohms and Volts—Lord High Electrocutioner).
Pooh-Bah (Everybody's understudy).
Pish-Tush (a ward heeler)
Yum-Yum, Pitti-Sing, Peep-Bo, } (three chips).
Katisha (an old fairy, mashed on Nanki-Poo).
Chorus of gum chewers, murderers, society people and has-beens.

All the principal parts have been filled and regular chorus rehearsals have commenced to give a tangible shape to the New York A. C. performance of *Mikado*, underlined for late in January next, or, possibly, it may be held over until some time in February, if the committee find it advantageous to do so. At all events, it is under way, and those members of the Club who desire to "join the band" should do so at once. There are a few vacancies in the chorus, but the indications are that they will soon be filled, so you members who can sing, and want to sing, and are waiting to be coaxed, send your names and addresses to the chairman of the Entertainment Committee. This must be done in a hurry, or the early birds will be so far ahead that it will hardly pay you to start after the worm.

You will enjoy the rehearsals, too. Harry Tindale (you all know old "Tinpot") has a very happy way of making friends with the people he is instructing. He seems to heartily enjoy the work. The members of his company say it's no end of fun, and the progress they make is remarkable. Several recruits were enrolled at a rehearsal last week who did not mean to go in, but once there, they couldn't be driven away. The rehearsal was in the gymnasium, and about 9 o'clock a small knot of chaps gathered on the locker floor hall and each new arrival was greeted with: "Say, fellers—listen—*girls!*" Then amidst a breathless silence, clear as a bell above the tenor and bass voices, would ring out a volume of beautiful soprano voices, given courage by added numbers and braced by each other. They sneaked upstairs to just "look the dear things over;" and well, several handsome choir boys were doing the trick, whereupon the dear chappies made a front, declared they came to enlist, sat right down and went to work and are already kicking about getting front row, best dressing-rooms and severely criticising other companies who had the nerve to try to sing "Mikado," and now they couldn't be *driven* out.

The enthusiasm was not so much in evidence at the second rehearsal, but the absent ones all had excuses, and even if they were good ones the fact remains before us that only close attention and attendance is required to insure the greatest club entertainment we have ever given. Keep up the good work, attend rehearsals, get your lines and your music, and once fairly made acquainted with the stage business it will be all play and no trouble. Help the good work along; volunteer, each one do his part, and the "finish" will be a grand success from the opening overture to the final curtain.

## BOWLING.

IN recent years it has not been customary for the New York A. C. to commence well in the Athletic League bowling championship, and the rooters could scarcely be blamed for their demonstrations of joy and hope of ultimate victory when the team won all the games in the opening series against the Montclair A. C. on the home alleys, November 16th. The advantage was more than neutralized by the dropping of three straight games to the Columbia Club on November 24th. It is evident that the team has a hard struggle before them this season, as both the Roseville A. C. and Columbia A. C. bowlers are in great form. The scores:

### ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

New York A. C. vs. Montclair A. C., at New York A. C., November 16th.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. | Montclair A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 130 | 167 | 181 | Thompson | 176 | 148 | 155 |
| Cowp'thw't | 173 | 163 | 171 | Berrall | 137 | 152 | 129 |
| Bell | 144 | 155 | 169 | Hornfeck | 136 | 139 | 160 |
| Brown | 180 | 186 | 136 | Harrison | 173 | 114 | 147 |
| Clute | 142 | 144 | 127 | Crocker | 131 | 143 | 137 |
| | 769 | 815 | 784 | | 753 | 696 | 728 |

New York A. C. vs. Columbia A. C., at Hoboken, November 24th.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. | Columbia A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 159 | 155 | 169 | Storm | 171 | 186 | 167 |
| Toussaint | 159 | 171 | 159 | Starr | 188 | 164 | 179 |
| Wilmarth | 144 | 171 | 172 | Kimball | 153 | 212 | 179 |
| Bell | 134 | 173 | 170 | Kellar | 188 | 182 | 181 |
| Brown | 136 | 170 | 154 | Lenly | 183 | 196 | 185 |
| | 732 | 840 | 824 | | 883 | 940 | 891 |

New York A. C. vs. North End Club, New York A. C. alleys, November 30th.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. | North End | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 150 | 157 | 225 | Cadiz | 145 | 192 | 196 |
| Toussaint | 194 | 180 | 185 | Booth | 177 | 188 | 203 |
| Bell | 202 | 160 | 164 | Heitzman | 166 | 171 | 151 |
| Brown | 190 | 149 | 172 | Taylor | 166 | 181 | 166 |
| Cowp'thw't | 194 | 165 | 194 | Olozaga | 127 | 159 | 147 |
| | 930 | 811 | 940 | | 781 | 891 | 863 |

Standing of the Clubs.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Columbia | 5 | 1 | 940 | New York | 5 | 4 | 940 |
| Roseville | 7 | 2 | 933 | North End | 3 | 6 | 891 |
| Elizabeth | 5 | 1 | 902 | Montclair | 0 | 6 | 874 |
| Jersey City | 4 | 2 | 855 | Knickerbocker | 1 | 8 | 832 |

## HARLEM REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

New York A. C. vs. Madison B. C., November 10th.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. | Madison B. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 140 | 152 | 137 | Moynahan | 165 | 192 | 166 |
| Bell | 155 | 119 | 170 | Hairland | 166 | 150 | 176 |
| Wilmarth | 129 | 144 | 186 | Fleming | 123 | 123 | 176 |
| Brown | 132 | 177 | 183 | Fleming | 158 | 184 | 157 |
| Cowp'thw't. | 158 | 177 | 169 | Hairland | 168 | 165 | 192 |
| | 714 | 769 | 845 | | 780 | 814 | 867 |

New York A. C. vs. Hamilton B. C., November 22d.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. | Hamilton A. C. | 1st Game. | 2d Game. | 3d Game. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 154 | 130 | 172 | Hibberd | 139 | 156 | 170 |
| Vilmar | 186 | 145 | 146 | King | 160 | 132 | 121 |
| Wilmarth | 196 | 180 | 165 | Barker | 133 | 152 | 183 |
| Bell | 163 | 130 | 166 | Bramley | 134 | 110 | 171 |
| Brown | 188 | 163 | 168 | Hunt | 128 | 175 | 128 |
| | 837 | 748 | 817 | | 694 | 725 | 773 |

Standing of the Clubs.

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Madison | 5 | 1 | 867 | Winsor 1 | 3 | 3 | 830 |
| N. Y. B. C. | 4 | 2 | 868 | Knickerbocker | 2 | 4 | 917 |
| Winsor 2 | 4 | 2 | 835 | Lotus | 1 | 2 | 897 |
| Standard | 2 | 1 | 894 | Phoenix 2 | 1 | 2 | 846 |
| Phoenix 1. | 3 | 3 | 912 | Prospect | 1 | 2 | 796 |
| Kismet | 3 | 3 | 869 | Hamilton | 1 | 5 | 819 |
| New York A. C. | 3 | 3 | 845 | | | | |

## LIEUTENANT WISE'S RECORD.

LIEUTENANT HUGH D. WISE has been officially notified by the Century Road Club that his record of 27 hours and 39 minutes, between Washington and New York, reported in last month's JOURNAL, has been accepted by that organization.



LIEUTENANT HUGH D. WISE.

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A KEEN competition is in progress for the mileage prizes offered by Dr. Seneca D. Powell. At the end of November Mr. P. B. Mathews held the lead, having covered 7,500 miles. Mr. I. Frank Mead is in second position, about 600 miles behind the leader. Mr. C. K. Alley occupies third position.

ABOUT $30,000 of the bonds authorized to be issued for the completion and furnishing of the new clubhouse have been subscribed for. In order to ensure the occupancy of the new house at the earliest possible date, it is necessary that the remainder should be speedily disposed of. Members should not hesitate to take them up, outside of the feeling of club loyalty, as the investment is amply secured. The bonds are now ready for delivery.

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IT is intended to organize a first and second baseball team next season. Members desiring to try for places on either team will facilitate matters by sending in their names to the chairman of the Baseball Committee, who will then keep them informed of the progress of the undertaking.

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MEMBERS who have been debarred from showing their liberality by the enforcement of the rule against tipping, will now have an opportunity to reward in a substantial manner the faithful service of the Club employees. The Christmas list is now up and under existing conditions should obtain record-breaking figures.

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BUSINESS of the utmost importance was transacted at the annual meeting of the Amateur Athletic Union, held on November 15th, when the constitution and by-laws were amended by providing for a Registration Committee, to which, in the future, will be referred all matters pertaining to competition of amateur athletes. This committee will also have power to grant or withhold sanctions for athletic meetings and to impose penalties for violations of the rules in this respect. In determining questions affecting the amateur status of any athlete, the Committee is given the right to act upon any kind of evidence, circumstantial or direct. The Registration Committee also exercises censorship over the character of prizes, and has power to permanently suspend any amateur athlete who neglects or refuses, within thirty days, to answer questions touching his amateur status to the satisfaction of the Committee, and also has the right to establish regulations for handicapping, and appoint as many handicappers as may be deemed necessary. The New York A. C. received full recognition at the meeting. Captain Bartow S. Weeks was elected as the member of the Registration Committee from the Metropolitan Association, and Mr. A. G. Mills and Mr. W. B. Curtis were appointed delegates-at-large.

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## PERSONALS.

DR. PAUL NEUMANN stopped at the New York A. C., en route from Chicago to Philadelphia, on November 14th. He was introduced to the New York A. C. method of playing water polo. The Doctor will endeavor to educate the University of Pennsylvania students up to the vigorous style of playing in vogue in the New York A. C. tank.

IN spite of the choppy water, a four-oared shell was taken out at Travers Island on Thanksgiving Day by the following has-beens, who say they are in training for the International races at the regatta to be held in connection with the French Exposition of 1900: R. W. Rathbone, J. W. Spalding, J. E. Miller and E. J. Keane.

THE LOBSTERS have lost a valuable member of their bowling team through the absence of George M. Breck on a Western tour. Before leaving, however, he left a memento of his prowess by rolling up a score of 233. The same score was also rolled by L. Legein last month.

IT is hard for tennis players to relinquish their favorite game, and Uncle Pete Wilmarth was in evidence at Travers Island on Thanksgiving Day ready to play all comers, but none had the hardihood to meet him.

MR. W. P. MALONEY and Mr. W. L. Marshall sailed for England on November 24th. Many friends were at the White Star dock to wish them bon voyage.

THE popularity of Travers Island has been increased by the number of dinners given to the residents of the vicinity by Mr. G. W. Scott.

DR. W. D. SEWELL and Mr. Maxwell E. More entertained a party of prominent Free Masons at Travers Island on November 28th.

MR. GEORGE B. HULME was tenth on the list of winning owners at the Horse Show.

MR. W. L. SHEARER has jut returned from a successful hunting trip in Maine.




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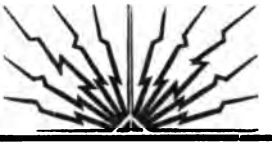
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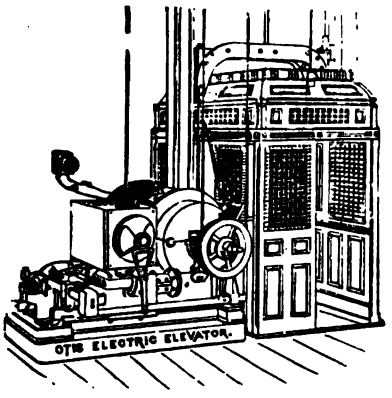
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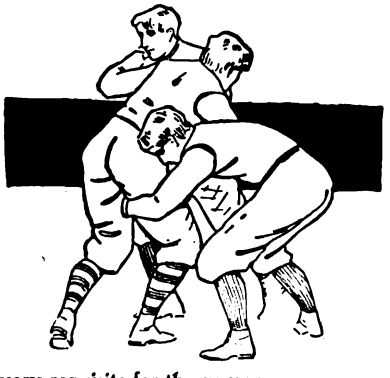
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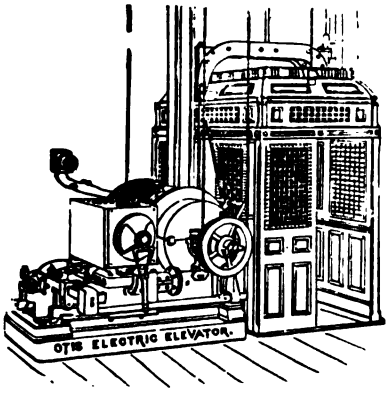
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## A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

THE coming year is full of promise for the New York Athletic Club.

Never in the history of the organization have its prospects appeared brighter than at the commencement of this present year of grace.

There are no internal dissensions.

The feeling of Club loyalty is at a high pitch.

New members are flocking to the Club, and above all—

The new clubhouse is almost ready for occupancy.

With all things working together for the good of the New York Athletic Club, let us unite in wishing A Happy New Year to those who have been instrumental in piloting the Club into such smooth waters.

A Happy New Year to President James Whitely, whose masterly management of the great financial problems in connection with the building of the new clubhouse, has resulted so successfully.

A Happy New Year to Vice-President Thomas L. Watson, to whom, as Chairman of the House Committee, we are indebted for his earnest attention to the duties of his position.

A Happy New Year to Secretary John C. Gulick and Treasurer Charles E. Goodhue, whose painstaking work in difficult and laborious positions deserves the hearty thanks of all the members.

A Happy New Year to Captain Bartow S. Weeks, who retires from office with a glorious record of successes in all departments of sport.

A Happy New Year to the Board and to all members of the New York Athletic Club.

## CELEBRATING 1898.

PRESIDENT WHITELY'S expression, "Let joy be unconfined," was certainly applicable to the last New Year's day spent in the old clubhouse. Never before did such jollity prevail. With music, wine and song, the hours of the afternoon fled by, while the compliments of the season were exchanged between the thousand or more clubmates and friends who filled the rooms and corridors of the clubhouse and partook of the following excellent lunch:

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## HOCKEY.

THE first few games played in the Hockey League championship series indicate a close contest for the honor of champion team. It is evident that there is very little to choose between the New York A. C., St. Nicholas Skating Club and the Hockey Club. The changing of players has been detrimental to the chances of our team, but it is hoped that the necessity of further changes will soon be avoided, and that seven men will be picked out who will be strong in team play as well as brilliant in individual effort. The team will suffer a loss by the defection of I. A. Lynch, who has played point so effectively since the organization of the team. Mr. Lynch leaves New York to take a business position in Pennsylvania. His place will probably be filled by either Baird or Spaulding.

The second team played no games last month, but will meet the New Jersey A. C. team some time this month, when the following will probably handle the sticks for the club: D. G. Smyth, R. D. Radcliffe, R. Baird, H. Cassels, D. M. Spaulding, A. R. Pope and J. B. Blair.

### NEW YORK A. C. VS. BROOKLYN S. C.

When the New York A. C. and the Brooklyn Skating Club teams met in the opening game of the League championship on December 9th, it was evident that the players from over the bridge had improved greatly since last season. Incidentally they introduced into the game a rather vigorous method of blocking the onward rush of the winged-foot players, in which securing possession of the puck seemed a secondary object, the main point being to knock down the opposing player.

When the players lined up before a fair crowd in the St. Nicholas Rink, three new players were noticed on the New York A. C. team—Wallace, left centre; Belden, right end, and Watters, cover point. The latter proved a particularly useful addition, his well-directed long lifting shots eliciting frequent applause. Dobby was the mainstay of the Brooklyn team, his many brilliant runs only failing to result in goal through lack of support by his fellow players. The New Yorks' score was kept down considerably by the serviceable goal-keeping of Halleck, who did not miss a possible chance to block a shot for goal.

About a minute after the puck had been put in play, Watters showed his quality by lifting it from the centre of the rink to the vicinity of the Brooklyn goal, and, after a little skirmishing, Belden shot it through the posts.

The rapid playing of the New York team resulted in another goal in less than two minutes, Watters lifting to Wallace, who made the goal.

The game then took on a more even aspect, for though the Brooklyn goal was frequently in danger, the excellent defense prevented any further score, until after fifteen minutes' play. Then Dobby made a grand run the whole length of the rink, successfully eluding the New York defense, until the goal-keeper stopped the shot for goal. The puck was quickly returned by the New Yorks, and Bogart made the third goal a few minutes before time was called for the first half. The score standing, New York A. C., 3; Brooklyn S. C., 0.

The players were scarcely warmed up in the second half, when Dobby made another brilliant run, and this time scored a goal for Brooklyn. Encouraged by this success, the visitors played with a vim which surprised the local rooters, and, after ten minutes, Lounsbury scored the second goal for Brooklyn.

This put the New York A. C. team on their mettle, Captain Fenwick especially playing desperately. He made shot after shot for the Brooklyn goal, but for five minutes the ever-alert goal-keeper defeated every attempt, and it was only a minute or so before time was called that Fenwick passed to Wallace, who scored the final goal for New York. The line-up:

| N. Y. A. C. | Positions. | Brooklyn S. C. |
|---|---|---|
| Macrae | Goal | Halleck |
| Lynch | Point | Randall |
| Watters | Cover point | Frysdale |
| Wallace | Left centre | Drakeley |
| Bogart | Left end | Lounsbury |
| Belden | Right end | Challoner |
| Fenwick | Right centre | Dobby |

Score—New York A. C., 4; Brooklyn S. C., 2.

Referee—T. Barron, St. Nicholas Skating Club. Judges—McKenzie, for Brooklyn; Pope, for N. Y. A. C. Goals—Belden, Wallace (2), Bogart, Dobby, and Lounsbury.

### NEW YORK A. C. VS. ST. NICHOLAS S. C.

A record-breaking crowd attended the St. Nich-

olas Rink when the New York A. C. and the St. Nicholas Skating Club met in their first championship game on December 23d. The spectators were rewarded with one of the best contested hockey games ever played. The adherents of each side were out in force and displayed enthusiasm throughout the entire game, which resulted in a tie, both teams being credited with two goals.

Though the New York men skated faster, and, as individuals, showed a greater knowledge of the game than the St. Nicholas players, they were for once lacking in the most essential feature—team play. Nearly all the time the puck was in the St. Nicholas territory, carried there by one of the New York forwards, who would rush into the opponents' camp, only to be blocked at the end of the grand run by the St. Nicholas team, massed around their goal like flies around sugar.

When the score was 2 to 1 in favor of the New York A. C., a St. Nicholas player made a forward pass, and the whistle sounded for off-side play. One of the New York players inquired of the Referee if the play was off-side, and the Referee replied, "Yes." While the New York team were inactive, waiting for the puck to be put in play, the St. Nicholas players shot the goal, and in reply to the remonstrance of the New York player who had previously questioned him, the Referee said it was too late now to enforce his ruling.

No further score resulting before time was called, it was agreed to play an extra ten minutes in the hope of deciding the game, but the fast play had thoroughly tired the men out, and neither side was capable of scoring again.

The teams lined up as follows:

| New York A. C. | Positions. | St. Nicholas S. C. |
|---|---|---|
| Macrae | Goal | Hewitt |
| Lynch | Point | Slocum |
| Watters | Cover Point | Wrenn |
| Wallace | Left End | Barron |
| Fenwick | Centre | Larned |
| Baird | Centre | Callender |
| Bogart | Right End | Crowinshield / Robb |

Score—New York A. C., 2; St. Nicholas S. C., 2.
Referee—S. M. Phillips, Hockey Club of N. Y. Umpires—Messrs. O'Donnell and Keane.

NEW YORK A. C. VS. HOCKEY CLUB

Play of the most spirited character marked the first meeting of the New York A. C. and Hockey Club of New York in the Amateur Hockey League championship at the St. Nicholas Rink on December 29th.

The play was a little too vigorous for the spectators, who have not been educated up to the fine points of blocking, which, though savoring of roughness, are perfectly in accordance with the rules. Consequently, the players were frequently undeservedly hissed.

In the first half the teams were so evenly matched that no score resulted, but after ten minutes' play in the second half Fenwick lifted the puck high in a shot for goal. It just skimmed the heads of the Hockey Club players, and went through the goal-posts below the imaginary line across the top of the posts. The goal was allowed, and the Hockey Club team played desperately in the hope of equalizing the score. Just before time was called the New York A. C. goal was in danger, but the winged-foot wearers defended it gallantly until time was called. Then on off-side play the puck was sent through the posts, but the goal was, of course, disallowed, leaving the New York A. C. victorious in the hard-fought game. The Hockey Club protested the game, on the ground that the goal-posts, measured after the game, were nine inches higher than the regulation. As the conditions were the same for each team, and the decision of the umpire as to goals is final, there is but little chance of the game being taken away from the winners.

The teams lined up as follows:

| New York A. C. | Positions. | H. C. of N. Y. |
|---|---|---|
| Macrae | Goal | O'Donnell |
| Watters | Point | Curren |
| Fenwick | Cover Point | B. Phillips |
| Wallace | Forwards | De Casanova |
| Belden | | Russell |
| Bogart | | S. N. Phillips |
| Baird | | Hunt |

Score—New York A. C., 1; Hockey Club of New York, 0.
Referee—H. W. Slocum. Timer—J. A. Tuttle.

D. M. REEDER, of the New York A. C., won the special 183-yard race, held in the Quaker City on December 2d.

# Our Official Bulletin.

Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

**January 8—Vaudeville in Gymnasium.**

**February 21—"The Black Mikado," at Carnegie Music Hall.**

## ANNUAL MEETING.

**January 11—Annual Meeting and Election.**

## HOCKEY.

**January 19—New York A. C. vs. Montclair A. C., at Clermont Avenue Rink, Brooklyn.**

## FENCING.

**January 29—Jacoby Testimonial in Gymnasium.**

## BOWLING.

**January 17—New York A. C. vs. North End Club, on North End Alleys.**

**January 24—New York A. C. vs. Columbia Club, on N. Y. A. C. Alleys.**

**February 2—New York A. C. vs. Roseville A. A., on Roseville Alleys.**

THE following notice has been sent out by the Secretary:

In accordance with the provisions of article XIII., section 1, of the Constitution, the annual meeting for the election of officers and governors of the New York A. C. for the ensuing year, will be held on Tuesday evening, January 11, 1898, at 8 o'clock, at the clubhouse, 104 West Fifty-fifth street, New York.

The following amendments to the Constitution will be submitted by the Board of Governors for adoption:

Amend article III., section 3, paragraph 2, to read as follows:

Officers of the Army and Navy of the United States on the active list, after being posted ten (10) days and passed upon and elected according to the rules governing the election of members, shall, upon the payment of the annual dues of non-resident members, but without paying any initiation fee, become entitled to all the privileges of the club for one (1) year, and for as many years thereafter as they may continue in active service and to pay said annual dues, but they shall not hold office, vote nor have any interest in the property of the Club; provided such payment of dues need only be made while said officers remain or are stationed at posts in or near the city of New York; and provided further that in the event of removal or absence from service elsewhere, such membership may be continued without payment of dues during such removal or absence, upon first obtaining the consent of the Board of Governors.

Amend article XI., section 3, by adding after the words

**A Committee on Billiards and Bowling, to consist of three (3) members,**

the words

**A Committee on Bicycling, to consist of three (3) members.**

Yours respectfully,

JOHN C. GULICK, Secretary.

## THE REGULAR TICKET.

THE committee appointed by the Board of Governors to nominate officers and governors, to be voted for at the annual meeting to be held on January 11, 1898, reports as follows:

For President—James Whitely.
For Vice-President—Thomas L. Watson.
For Secretary—John C. Gulick.
For Treasurer—Charles E. Goodhue.
For Captain—R. C. Fisher.

For Governors to serve two years:

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| Brent Good, | Roland Molineux, |
| Douglas Henry, | C. G. Petersen, |
| Bartow S. Weeks, | James D. Foot, |
| Samuel T. Shaw, | Albert J. Morgan. |

MR. JAMES H. HASLIN has been nominated as an independent candidate for Governor.

## REVIEW OF THE YEAR.

A PROGRESSIVE policy has been pursued by the management of the Club in all departments of sport during the past season. Several new fields have been entered upon with marked success, while there has been no retrogression in the branches of athletics, where the Club has for years reigned supreme. The following review presents as briefly as possible the chief features of the year's work:

### ATHLETICS.

The first occurrence of note in competitive athletics last year was the appearance of Mr. Richard Sheldon at the English championship meeting, on July 3d. He was traveling for his health, had but just arrived in the country and taken no preliminary practice, yet he only succumbed to the famous Irish record-holder, D. Horgan, by a small margin. Mr. Sheldon's put of 44 feet 5¼ inches would have won this event in any of the previous years of competition.

The appearance of the Chicago Athletic Association team in the Amateur Athletic Union championships rendered the competitions more than usually interesting; but strong as was the contingent from the West, the New York A. C. representatives easily held their own by winning eleven of the seventeen events, scoring 74 points to the 34 scored by the Chicago A. A.

At the Metropolitan championship meeting the Club, for the first time on record, scored a point in every one of the seventeen events on the programme, taking first place in nine competitions.

At the Canadian championships our athletes were again remarkably successful, winning eleven out of the fifteen events on the programme, and had it not been for the unavoidable absence of several of the Club's best athletes the other four events would also have been won by the New York A. C. members.

The arrangement of a series of dual meets with the Chicago Athletic Association was one of the most important of the many innovations with which the Athletic Committee are credited. The first of the meetings between the two clubs was held in conjunction with the Fall games, and won by the New York A. C. by eight and one-half events to three and one-half.

### AQUATICS.

No worthy opponents appearing to contest the water-polo championship with the New York A. C., the efforts of those directing the aquatic department were confined to swimming competitions, and in order to promote the interest and develop new material, two series of competitions were arranged early in the year—one for the Club championship and the other a handicap series. Normandie Murray won the championship with 21 points, F. A. Wenck and D. M. Reeder tying for second place with 17 points. Louis Fitzgerald, Jr., won the handicap series with 19 points; H. N. Rawlins, 15, second, and F. A. Wenck, 13, third. A team was sent to the indoor swimming championships, held at Chicago in February, and they were successful in the relay race, with Normandie Murray, L. Fitzgerald, Jr., F. A. Wenck and D. M. Reeder. Reeder also won the 220-yard championship in 2 min. 58 sec., beating the American record. Murray took second place in the 100-yard championship, while Wenck was third in the 220 and 440 yard championships.

The outdoor swimming championships were also held in Chicago, and the Club was again represented by a relay team, Dr. J. M. Davis taking the place of L. Fitzgerald, Jr. The team was again successful; Reeder also won the 220-yard championship, while Wenck took third place in both the half and mile races. Dr. Davis placed the 100-yard handicap to the credit of the Club. There are now a number of enthusiastic swimmers practicing water polo, for which championship games are assured this season.

### BICYCLING.

The five prizes offered by Dr. Powell for highest mileage have proved quite an incentive for mileage work during the past season. The coasting contest took place on June 26th, and was entirely successful. The prizes were won by H. A. Woodward, J. Louis Cunningham and Theodore E. Belts.

Irwin A. Powell was again the star of the amateur races, and he alone placed 31 first, 17 second and 7 third places to the credit of the Club. How few times he competed without catching the judge's eye may be gleaned from the fact that these 55 places were gained at only 34

meets. Among the principal races won by Powell were the half-mile intercollegiate championship, one-mile tandem intercollegiate, in company with Ray Dawson; one-mile A. A. U. National championship, half-mile New York State championship, two-mile L. A. W. National championship and five-mile L. A. W. Metropolitan championship. Ray Dawson was also remarkably successful on the path, no other two riders in this district scoring so frequently as the wearers of the winged foot.

In road riding, our two representatives, A. W. W. Evans and Lieutenant H. D. Wise, made some remarkable records. Evans, on August 11th, increased the 24-hour road record to 356 miles, incidentally creating a new 12-hour record of 206 miles, and the 200-mile record of 11 hours, 41 minutes, 45 seconds. A few days later he lowered the 100-mile record to 5 hours, 1 minute, 42½ seconds, and on August 19th he placed the New York to Philadelphia return record at 14 hours, 37 minutes and 30 seconds. On October 14th, Lieutenant Wise made his second attempt to break the record between Washington and New York. He was successful, covering the distance in 27 hours and 39 seconds. This record has been accepted by the Century Road Club, and still stands. The Citizens' Cup was decided on November 6th, and brought to the front a speedy rider in C. M. Relyea, who won from the six-minute mark in 51 minutes and 37 1-5 seconds. The winner narrowly escaped getting the time prize, which fell to E. P. Reynolds, who covered the course in 51 minutes and 1 1-5 seconds.

ROWING.

Though the oarsmen of the Club have encountered several defeats during the past season, they have also met with some encouraging successes, and in many instances have been beaten through a combination of circumstances entirely apart from their ability as oarsmen. The season was commenced in great style at the Harlem Regatta, with a victory by the Junior Eight, the success being the more meritorious, as among the defeated crews were an eight from Yale and one from Columbia. At the same regatta E. J. Keane and C. Smyth won the Junior double sculls. At the Cup and People's Regatta at Philadelphia B. G. Wilson won the Junior sculls in hollow fashion, but the eight were in no condition to race, through sickness, and did not show prominently. In the National Championship, while the New York A. C. crew was rowing prominently in the race for intermediate eights, the boat was interfered with by one of the spectators, and all chances of victory destroyed. The Club Regatta was, as usual, a marked success, and introduced a new feature in the race for Huckleberry Indians.

FENCING.

Greater success than ever has been the portion of the fencers who maintain the prestige of the New York A. C. in open competition, the team having won everything for which it competed. The season was commenced by competition for the Shaw Cup and the team championship. The following quartette succeeded in keeping the cup in the possession of the Club: C. G. Bothner, Dr. G. M. Hammond, W. T. Heintz and R. O. Haubold. The annual championships of the A. F. L. A. and A. A. U. saw C. G. Bothner in great form. He won the first place in the foils, dueling swords and sabres, an unprecedented performance. S. T. Shaw took second place with the swords, F. L. Slazenger second in the sabres, and W. T. Heintz third in the foils, so that but few places escaped the representatives of the New York A. C. That the young blood in the Club is destined to follow in the footsteps of the many champions who have worn the winged foot in this branch of sport, is apparent from the fact that the New York A. C. also won the Junior championship with C. C. Curran, A. Schroeder and W. Lyon.

BASEBALL.

Of late years baseball has only been played spasmodically by the Club, but last season a team was organized which scored many victories on the diamond throughout the summer. In addition to frequent games, which afforded much amusement to the visitors to Travers Island, a series of five games was arranged with the Crescent A. C. Each club won two games, and the odd game was forfeited by the Crescent A. C., leaving the New York A. C. victorious.

Negotiations for the formation of a league to

play under the auspices of the A. A. U. are now being conducted, and have proceeded far enough to ensure the establishment of amateur baseball on a firm footing next season.

CROSS-COUNTRY.

This sport has been languishing for years, and no championship has been given since 1892, until the Club took the event in hand again and organized a successful championship meeting, which took place at Morris Park on the first Saturday in April. Eight teams entered for the event, and, as a result, the sport is now again on a firm footing. Accidents to several of the New York A. C. men crippled the team considerably, and though four men showed prominently, we were unable to place a fifth man, which was necessary to a score. G. W. Orton, however, made ample amends for the lack of team success by easily winning the individual championship.

HOCKEY.

The Athletic Committee of the Club speedily realized the grand qualities of the game of hockey and the opportunities for interesting sport which it presented. A team was organized by Captain Bartow S. Weeks, who also took prominent part in the formation of the Amateur Hockey League. The success of the team was unqualified, the championship being won without losing a single game. Great interest has been manifested by Club members in the success of the team, and there is no sport which now has a firmer hold on our members than the game recently established in this country.

YACHTING.

The yachtsmen of the Club have had a thoroughly enjoyable season, and the department has steadily grown in numbers, until there is scarcely accommodation for the boats to be wintered at Travers Island. The Yachting Committee are now considering improvements, which, if they can be carried out, will result in more and better accommodations. In the racing field, the Jester, owned by Eugene N. Robinson, has carried the Club ensign in a number of successful races.

WRESTLING.

Wrestling has been as popular as ever during the past year. From January 1st to July 1st, Instructor Leonard had 106 pupils, and from July to December, 65. The Club was represented for the first time in the A. A. U. championship by G. Bechtel and H. S. Thompson. In the middle-weight class Bechtel showed himself good enough to win, but withdrew on account of the referee's decision, which was not in accordance with the championship rules.

SHOOTING.

The traps at Travers Island have been in great demand throughout the season, and several competitions have been held. Two club guns have been bought to accommodate those members who happen to be at the Island without their own guns. The grounds were selected for the decision of the match between Yale and Princeton, and it is evident that facilities afforded for trap-shooting at the Island are being gradually recognized.

HAND TENNIS.

The first championship tournament was given last season and won by D. C. Watts. The tournaments for doubles was also instituted, in which E. Weinacht and Dr. D. S. Tenney were successful. Large entries were received for both of these events.

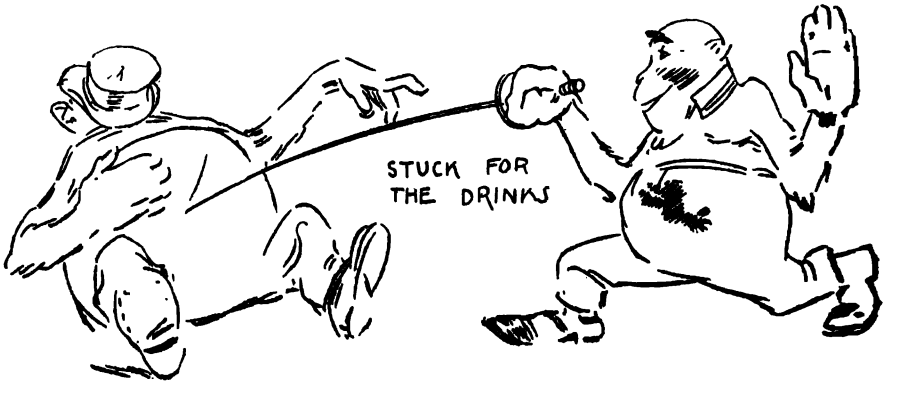
## AMATEUR BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE Sportsmen's Show at Madison Square Garden will be enlivened by a billiard tournament for the championship of the Metropolitan Association of the A. A. U., in which the prominent clubs of this district will be represented. The championships will be run under the direction of a committee, of which Mr. Bartow S. Weeks is chairman. It will consist of 300 points, 14-inch balk-line. The New York A. C.'s representative will be Fred Oakes, who has so frequently been successful in club championships. The tournament will last nine days, commencing on January 13th, and will be held in the concert hall of Madison Square Garden.

FOR a few days more members will have an opportunity to contribute to the Christmas fund for employees. A liberal subscription list should result this year, as the abolishment of the tipping system renders this the only medium to acknowledge the faithful service of our employees.

## THE PACKAGE PARTY.

ONCE a year the fencers throw off their customary hauteur and indulge in an evening's fun and frolic at the package party. Every participant brings a package, and, of course, everyone receives just the article that he does not desire. The invitation to this season's party, which took place on December 9th, contained a highly alluring and suggestive sketch, which THE JOURNAL reproduces, just to give the members of the Club who are not fencers an idea of the fun they missed. It is needless to say that the conception of the artist was realized. Those present were not only stuck for the drinks, but were stuck how to dispose of the liberal allowance of mixed ale served at the banquet and still retain the dignified carriage which is habitual to the fencer. We spare the feelings of the participants, and refrain from mentioning the articles which the packages contained; partly because some of them may be classed as unmentionables.




## ROWING.

THE junior crews of the New York A. C. have justly earned a great reputation which it is most important should be sustained during the coming season. No material likely to furnish good oarsmen will be overlooked this year, as the competition for the Koch Cup is in a most interesting stage and the race on Decoration Day will, in all probability, decide the permanent holders of the cup. The cup was presented to be rowed for by junior eights, and the conditions require it to be won three times before becoming the property of one club. Both the New York A. C. and the First Bohemian Boat Club have won the trophy twice, and strenuous efforts will be made for the honor of retaining it. The Bohemian Club will, of necessity, have to select a green crew to represent it in the Harlem River regatta, and will thus have no advantage over our representatives. In fact, the chances are rather in our favor, for rowing history provides many stories of the prowess of junior crews formed from raw material by the rowing experts of the New York A. C.

Members desiring to try for a place in the boat will please report to Athletic Director Giannini in the gymnasium, as the preliminary gymnastic work will commence this month.

## THE JACOBY TESTIMONIAL.

THE Jacoby testimonial will be held in the gymnasium on Saturday, January 29th. An excellent programme is in preparation. Members will have an opportunity of enjoying a good evening's sport on that occasion, and at the same time show their appreciation of a capable and faithful employee.

The following letter has been sent to the pupils of the late professor by Mr. Shaw:

DEAR SIR:

In the sad death of the late Prof. Jacoby the fencers of New York have sustained a great loss. We feel that some fitting tribute should be made to his memory, especially as your committee discovers that his family has been left without estate or means of any kind. Therefore we call upon all his pupils to unite in promoting a Testimonial to be held at the New York Athletic Club, on January 29th, 1898, at 9 P. M. A number of the most proficient fencers, both amateur and professional, have volunteered to appear in exhibitions of sword-play in all its branches. The programme will also include interesting bouts in boxing and wrestling by well-known experts. Enclosed you will please find cards of invitation. We solicit your friendly interest and substantial aid. Kindly remit subscriptions to

SAMUEL T. SHAW,
Chairman of Fencing Com.
N. Y. A. C.

The following comprise the Committee in charge:

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| C G. Bothner, | Scott O'Connor, |
| Hon. Charles DeKay, | C. G. Petersen, |
| Charles C. Goodhue, | S. M. Roosevelt, |
| Dr. Hammond, | Samuel T. Shaw, |
| W. T. Lawson, | Whitney Warren, |
| Dr. M. J. Echeverria, | Fred'k R. Coudert, Jr. |

## BOWLING.

WHEN the New York A. C. bowlers met the Elizabeth A. C. on the Elizabeth alleys on December 29th, a victory in the three games would have placed them in the lead for the Athletic League series, but the home team proved too strong. The New York A. C. team will have to do some tall bowling if they are to occupy a prominent position at the conclusion of the series.

The following are the scores for the past month:

### ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

**New York A. C. vs. Knickerbocker A. C., Knickerbocker Alleys, December 9th.**

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game | Knickerbocker A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 192 | 181 | 216 | Brower | 202 | 130 | 172 |
| Cowp'thw't | 179 | 160 | 149 | Offord | 159 | 184 | 157 |
| Toussaint | 212 | 145 | 179 | Cole | 142 | 135 | 168 |
| Bell | 140 | 171 | 191 | Headley | 151 | 157 | 191 |
| Clute | 182 | 179 | 170 | Johnson | 132 | 174 | 181 |
| | 905 | 836 | 905 | | 786 | 780 | 869 |

**New York A. C. vs. Jersey City A. C., Jersey City Alleys, December 15th.**

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game | Jersey City A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 161 | 153 | 158 | Newkirk | 184 | 188 | 199 |
| Bell | 135 | 180 | 154 | Cordner | 173 | 176 | 173 |
| More | 124 | 147 | 156 | Holmes | 158 | 136 | 166 |
| Brown | 191 | 145 | 161 | Brown | 140 | 166 | 179 |
| Toussaint | 159 | 198 | 176 | Meyer | 165 | 161 | 192 |
| | 770 | 823 | 805 | | 820 | 827 | 909 |

**New York A. C. vs. Roseville A. A., New York A. C. Alleys, December 22d.**

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game | Roseville A. A. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 176 | 174 | 157 | Pierson | 156 | 167 | 163 |
| Bell | 153 | 191 | 189 | Hood | 175 | 166 | 181 |
| Toussaint | 211 | 203 | 180 | Reese | 124 | 116 | 125 |
| Brown | 186 | 169 | 159 | Van Ness | 135 | 158 | 170 |
| Cowp'thw't | 203 | 180 | 201 | Meyer | 157 | 179 | 177 |
| | 929 | 917 | 886 | | 747 | 786 | 816 |

**New York A. C. vs. Elizabeth A. C., Elizabeth A. C. Alleys, December 29th.**

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game | Elizabeth A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 163 | 201 | 125 | Davis | 197 | 162 | 213 |
| Bell | 165 | 145 | 188 | Ch'mb'lain | 178 | 177 | 161 |
| Toussaint | 141 | 149 | 183 | Wells | 191 | 159 | 205 |
| Brower | 180 | 147 | 151 | Pope | 171 | 175 | 180 |
| Cowp'thw't | 215 | 166 | 192 | Dimock | 191 | 193 | 164 |
| | 864 | 808 | 839 | | 928 | 866 | 923 |

**Standing of the Clubs.**

| | W. | L. | H.Sc. | | W. | L. | H.Sc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Elizabeth A. C. | 16 | 5 | 961 | New York A. C. | 11 | 10 | 940 |
| Jersey City | 13 | 8 | 963 | Columbia | 8 | 10 | 942 |
| North End | 13 | 8 | 938 | Knickerb'r A. C. | 7 | 14 | 882 |
| Roseville A. A. | 11 | 10 | 976 | Montclair | 2 | 16 | 916 |

### HARLEM REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

**New York A. C. vs. Knickerbocker B. C., December 26th.**

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game | Knickerbocker B. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 169 | 145 | 151 | Kirtland | 142 | 141 | 166 |
| Bell | 155 | 180 | 153 | Snyder | 172 | 148 | 136 |
| Wilmarth | 165 | 191 | 183 | Henshaw | 158 | 149 | 161 |
| Brown | 168 | 180 | 180 | Meyer | 180 | 163 | 150 |
| Cowp'thw't | 175 | 162 | 169 | La Forest | 188 | 162 | 179 |
| | 832 | 858 | 836 | | 840 | 763 | 792 |

**New York A. C. vs. Phoenix B. C. No. 2, December 20th.**

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game | Phoenix B. C. No. 2. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 148 | 162 | 155 | Pearse | 167 | 146 | 179 |
| Bell | 169 | 144 | 128 | Buckbee | 153 | 166 | 152 |
| Wilmarth | 186 | 187 | 212 | McLean | 186 | 112 | 138 |
| Brown | 173 | 167 | 193 | Hamilton | 169 | 124 | 194 |
| Cowp'thw't | 167 | 160 | 168 | Bolrath | 158 | 159 | 173 |
| | 843 | 820 | 856 | | 833 | 707 | 836 |

**Standing of the Clubs.**

| | W. | L. | H.Sc. | | W. | L. | H.Sc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| N. Y. B. C. | 9 | 3 | 904 | Prospect | 6 | 6 | 921 |
| Madison | 9 | 3 | 889 | Winsor 2 | 6 | 6 | 877 |
| N. Y. A. C. | 8 | 4 | 858 | Standard | 5 | 7 | 934 |
| Phœnix 1 | 7 | 5 | 946 | Knickerbocker | 3 | 9 | 917 |
| Phœnix 2 | 7 | 5 | 900 | Kismet | 3 | 9 | 869 |
| Lotus | 5 | 4 | 939 | Hamilton | 2 | 10 | 828 |
| Winsor 1 | 5 | 4 | 912 | | | | |

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HAND TENNIS is as popular as ever in the gymnasium, and a tournament is now being arranged for club members, to take place probably this month. The game has made rapid strides since it was first introduced by the New York A. C., and is now played in the Twelfth Regiment Armory, Columbia College Gymnasium and Dr. Savage's Gymnasium, as well as in a number of out-of-town gymnasiums. There is some talk of a contest between the experts of the New York A. C. and the best players of the Twelfth Regiment.

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MEMBERS who desire to have their mileage credited for the past year are reminded that the rules require all reports to be filed with the Bicycle Committee before January 15th.

## SMOKING CONCERTS.

MEMBERS who did not take in the "Smoker" on December 11th missed what was generally acknowledged to be one of the best, if not the best show of the kind ever given in the house. The audience fairly packed the gymnasium, and were blessed with a record-breaking desire for liquid and solid refreshments, as was evidenced by the receipts of the house, which were the largest on record for a Smoking Concert on Ladies' Day.

The artists were well received and generously applauded. Each number made a hit of its own, and good nature prevailed everywhere. One of the events of the evening was the unexpected appearance on the stage of Bob Webb, the "Yum Yum" in the forthcoming "Mikado" production. Bonnie Thornton having succeeded in getting the audience to "join in the chorus," heard Bob's sweet tenor voice above all the rest, and as they finished she invited him to join her on the stage. He answered promptly, "I will," and he did, and nothing less than several encores would satisfy the delighted crowd in front. A good many declared that the act was prearranged; the committee positively declare that it was impromptu, so far as Webb was concerned.

The star of the evening was Miss Vesta Tilley, who volunteered for the occasion. Almost, if not quite a stranger in this country, she had conceived the idea that American club audiences were a rough element and given to unlimited stringing and guying if not worse; and, therefore, had positively refused to accept either invitation or engagement for club work of any kind. She finally, in fear and trembling, consented to make an exception in our favor. Over-persuaded by her friend and our fellow-member, Mr. Charles Ross and the Entertainment Committee, she accepted their assurances that she would be treated with every consideration, and that the only suggestion of noise or disorder would be the applause which she would be sure to earn, and which would be generously given. The prediction proved most true, for her success was unqualified. The reception was more than cordial and the applause unlimited. Four songs were sung, with complete changes of costume for each character.

## THE BLACK MIKADO.

WITHOUT divulging the secrets of the "Black Mikado," which is in preparation for production at the annual minstrel show of the Club, it is impossible to give an idea of all the good things in store for the members when the performance takes place. At the present time it is sufficient to state that the rehearsals are progressing in a most satisfactory manner, and that Dr. T. Hamilton Burch and Charles L. Burnham, who are bearing the brunt of the organization work, express themselves more than pleased with the outlook. The New York A. C. has a great record for amateur entertainments, but this year the committee has determined to eclipse all previous performances, and the indications at the present time are that success will crown the efforts of the managers.

The leading characters have been judiciously placed, and under the careful coaching of Harry Tyndale, the discords noticeable at the first few rehearsals of the chorus, are slowly but surely being eliminated.

The performance will take place at the Carnegie Music Hall on February 21st. Seats will be placed on sale early in the present month, and the boxes will be sold at auction, as usual, in the latter part of the month or the beginning of February. Members desiring seats are requested to file their applications in the office, as the seats will be distributed according to the order in which the requests are received.

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ALMOST enthusiastic greeting was given to our fellow-member, Jerome Sykes, by a party of 150 members and their friends, who attended the Broadway Theatre, on December 18th, to witness the performance of the "Highwayman." The presence of so many of his friends among the audience encouraged Mr. Sykes immensely, and, stimulated by the generous applause, he excelled himself and rendered the part of Foxy Quiller in exceptionally fine style.

As a souvenir of the gala occasion, each seat-holder received a club medal with a red and white ribbon and a bar with the word "Highwayman" attached. Duplicates are on sale at the cigar counter at 50 cents each.

## JUSTICE TO A NOTED WHEELMAN.

THE last month or so Mr. Garlick has been wheeling of a Sunday in Jersey. The Sabbath winds of Hackensack have been blowing through his sandy whiskers, and, acting like two sails, Mr. Garlick has been often carried along by his hirsute appendages at a rate of more than a mile a minute.

While thus happily crossing the Jersey meadows it seems that Mr. Garlick came into juxtaposition with a common huckster's wagon, which was driven in such a curiously spiral and wholly ridiculous manner that Mr. Garlick was soon involved in its and his own wheels.

For a time thereafter he determined thenceforth to ride only a wheelless bike.

Then he thought better of it, and went to law, and the *Sun* says it thus: (There appears to be a slight error in one word *N. Y. A. C.*)

Hackensack, N. J., Dec. 15.—Justice W. H. Harrison some time ago gave a decision against J. Garlick, a Nyack wheelman, who sued for damages to his wheel. The decision was given on the ground that he had no right to ride on Sunday. Lately the Justice became convinced that he had misinterpreted the New Jersey law, and last night there was another trial of the case. The evidence showed that Henry Lesswig drove his wagon across the road near Hackensack in such a way as to cut off Garlick from passing. He thus upset and broke the frame of his wheel. Many wheelmen watched the proceedings, which terminated in a verdict for Mr. Garlick for $50. JOHN B. YITS.

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THE three wheelmen who have ridden five miles every day since May 1, 1896, have been justly credited with great persistency. They have at last developed another characteristic—judgment. By the exercise of wonderful foresight it dawned upon them that they could scarcely expect the winter to pass without snow. Last winter Messrs. Alley, Weinacht and Myrick played at making believe they liked to ride five miles before breakfast, with the temperature below zero, and forced a sickly smile when starting out for their daily grind in the teeth of blinding snow, whirled along by a sixty-mile-an-hour breeze. As the present winter came on apace reminiscences of cold snaps and blizzards were omnipresent with the trio, each told the other how ill he looked, and, finally, the proposition to discontinue the contest by mutual consent was made and cheerfuly accepted, and on December 12th, a miserable rainy and entirely appropriate morning, the riders met at Travers Island and formally agreed to quit. A philanthropist, who desires to remain unknown, had offered to present a medal or cup to each of the competitors in commemoration of their long struggle. By this arrangement the Pendleton Cup will be engraved with the names of C. K. Alley, E. Weinacht and Dr. F. A. Myrick, remain in possession of the Club and take its place among the many historic trophies which serve to adorn the tales of past glories related by the old-timers to the fledglings of the Club.

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## THE NEW JERSEY A. C. GAMES.

IT is to be regretted that the liberal programme provided by the New Jersey A. C. at the meeting in Madison Square Garden, on December 17th and 18th, should have received such poor patronage. Spectators, though sparse, were inclined to be critical, and when on the final night the judges decided that Wefers and Rush finished a dead heat in the forty-yard dash, overlooking Zinn, of the New West Side A. C., who undoubtedly won by nearly a yard, a great uproar of disapproval greeted the announcement. In the run-off, Wefers, who was in very poor form, was beaten six inches by the Westerner. He also succumbed to Rush in the 300-yard scratch race.

The defeat of Wefers, though somewhat of a blow to the New York A. C. members present, was more than compensated for by the brilliant victory of the club representative, A. Grant, in the five-mile scratch race, in which a field of about thirty competed.

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THAT great interest is taken in the new clubhouse, so near completion, is apparent, from the fact that the "Cherry Circle," which is the official publication of the Chicago Athletic Association, copies in full the description of the new house contained in the artistic pamphlet recently issued by the Club.

## NEW MEMBERS.

MAYOR ROBERT A. VAN WYCK was among the life members elected to the club last month. Despite the following long list of elections, there are still about fifty applications to be considered:

LIFE.

Robert A. Van Wyck, Henry L. Brown, F. W. Brown, C. J. Ryan, Jr., Frank L. Sheldon, Richard Merrifield, Cord A. Meyer and Evander B. Schley.

RESIDENT.

J. E. Kelley, Dr. Herman L. Collyer, William R. Wood, Romeyn S. Stafford, Harry A. Woodruff, H. Nelson Smith, A. E. Phillips, Joseph J. Byers, John F. Doyle, George L. Storm, Albert O. Brown, George E. Arents, F. B. Van Doran, Dr. Dillon Brown, Michael J. Mulqueen, William Macnaughton, Colonel A. W. Soper, Charles W. Bowler, Charles E. Smith, J. I. Rainier, Robert F. McQueen, J. W. Boyle, Charles D. Freeman, John Boland, Lawrence F. Wilson, S. H. Carrigan, Elsworth E. Dwight, Austin E. Fletcher, William M. Moore, David McClure, Manning F. Fisher, W. R. Hearst, Frederick Glassup, James M. Carrington, Jacob Kuhlke, Peter F. Meyer, Harold North, R. N. Baylis, A. C. Clerihew, J. G. Timolat, Lewis E. Julian, George P. Montgomery, John B. Finn, James M. Hutchinson, William A. Haughton, P. R. Eagan, Frederick A. Thomson, Ernst Weiner, Frederic A. Dana, C. C. Shayne and G. W. Fitzgerald.

NON-RESIDENT.

A. H. Allen, C. H. Zehnder, Robert Moore, Frank D. White, Archibald W. Comstock, Samuel J. Lanahan, Dr. C. W. Crispell, Howard R. Hughes, Arthur W. Perego, F. A. Winchester, F. W. Benham, Thomas M. McKee, Frederick B. Hart, Charles H. Wilcox and Arthur W. Pope.

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## PERSONALS.

MR. BRENT GOOD, who was nominated for a member of the Board, on the regular ticket, is a gentleman of large business interests, and has been a prominent club man. He is the holder of a large amount of club bonds, and has resigned from several clubs to devote his interests to the New York A. C.

THE Fourth Division of the Naval Reserve, which last year contained about 25 or 30 members of the Club, but which lost some ten of them by transfer to Brooklyn, is again recruiting from our ranks, and within a short time promises to regain its prestige as *the* athletic division of the battalion, and, in fact, of the whole guard. Among others who are members of the club and also of the Fourth are Bob Crawford, Arthur Pope, D. C. Watts and Eugene N. Robinson, who is an ensign in the division.

COMMODORE M. W. BRONSON has been appointed a fireman of Greater New York. This is not because the genial Commodore has been reduced to the dire necessity of working for his living, but because of his enthusiasm to shine as a volunteer fireman in the Larchmont Fire Brigade. It is another evidence of Mr. Bronson's thoroughness that he should devote his time to the hard training which he will undergo before he becomes proficient in the fire exercises.

MAINLY through the efforts of Mr. F. Vilmar, the boat clubs of the Harlem River have been offered a site for permanent location on the west bank of the river. It runs from Cromwell's Creek north, about 865 feet, to a point near the New York and Putnam bridge. When the contemplated improvements have been made, the site will be an ideal one.

MR. F. G. MCDOUGAL has returned to New York, after a year's sojourn in the coffee districts of South America. He was tendered a cordial reception by his friends upon making his reappearance in the clubhouse.

VICE-PRESIDENT THOMAS L. WATSON has a task of no small magnitude on hand in supervising the revisions of the house rules to conform with the requirements of the new clubhouse.

MR. C. K. ALLEY is on his way to California, where he will make a long stay. His face will be missed at all the important cycling meetings.

MR. W. D. PARSONS sailed for Europe on January 4th.

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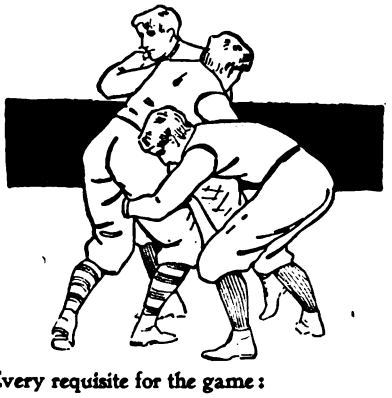
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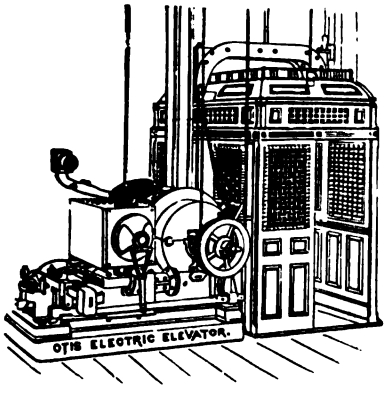
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Contributions of all kinds, on topics of interest, are cordially invited. Reading matter should, when possible, be in the hands of the Editor by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Address all communications to the Editor of the New York Athletic Club Journal, 104 W. 55th St., N. Y. City.

## NEW HOUSE NEARS COMPLETION.

DURING the past month work on the new clubhouse has progressed with great rapidity, and the Building and Finance Committee is making every effort to have the building ready for occupancy as early as possible in March. A swarm of workmen are busy on every portion of the house, and on many of the floors the decorators are putting on the finishing touches.

On entering the main hall, confusion appears to reign; the floor being utilized for keeping materials adds greatly to its unfinished appearance. The marble work on the walls is finished, and half of the mosaic floor laid, while the library is fitted with the book-shelves and the decorations nearly complete.

On the second floor the decorations are nearly complete, the parlor already showing evidence of the artistic appearance it will present when finished. The mural decorations of the cafe and lounging and billiard rooms are also in an advanced stage, only the flooring remaining to be laid to complete the rooms.

The finished floors are not yet laid in the sleeping rooms on the third floor, but the gymnasium, boxing and fencing rooms are practically finished, with the exception of placing the apparatus.

The sleeping rooms on the sixth floor are much nearer completion than those on the lower floor. All the floors are laid and varnished, and many of the rooms are papered, presenting quite an inviting appearance.

The most attractive room at the present stage is the breakfast and supper room. There the decorators appear to have harmoniously blended the colors, and the effect, even in its unfinished state, is most pleasing. The dining room is also painted with a combination of colors that serves to relieve the light oak of the wainscoting, the effect of the mottled pillars, which contain all the colors used in the mural work, being especially gratifying.

In the private dining rooms the floors are laid and varnished and the decorations well under way.

The ranges, refrigerators and other fixtures of the kitchen are all in position, but little remaining to be done to complete this portion.

With the exception of the racks, for which the contract has just been awarded, the bicycle department is almost finished, while the natatorium is tiled and ready for use; the tank has been filled with water and satisfactorily tested.

The bath will certainly be one of the most imposing features of the new house, and it is doubtful if there is another swimming tank in the world which presents a better appearance. Work on the Turkish baths is being pressed forward with all haste; in fact, there is scarcely a corner of the house where the workmen are not busy completing the magnificent edifice, which is shortly to be the home and pride of the New York A C.

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THE Christmas fund, which was distributed among the employees last month, amounted to $4,788, nearly $400 more than was collected last year.

## OUR CAPTAIN AND NEW GOVERNORS.

THE JOURNAL presents as its frontispiece this month a group picture of the new captain and governors elected at the annual meeting. The following brief description of their personalities may prove interesting:

Mr. Robert C. Fisher, who was elected Captain, has been for years considered one of the most eligible members in the Club for that arduous post. His business interests, however, as partner of the firm of Robert C. Fisher & Co., marble merchants, has necessitated his refusing the nomination on several occasions.

In every department of athletics "Bob" Fisher is deservedly popular, and his practical experience in competition will be of great service to him in guiding the contests of others.

Mr. Fisher was one of the fastest sprinters of his day, and when in condition ran but a shade worse than even time for a hundred yards. He is even better known as a baseball player, and among amateurs there are few men who can cover first base as efficiently as our new Captain. Mr. Fisher resides at New Rochelle, so that he may be depended upon to constantly supervise the training of club teams. This, coupled with his intimate knowledge of all sports, insures for him a successful administration.

There are few members of the New York A. C. better known than Mr. Albert J. Morgan. For years scarcely a day of the winter season has passed without his spending several hours in the clubhouse, while in the summer many members of the Club have been his guests on the cruises of his yacht Viator. In business circles Mr. Morgan is well and favorably known as a member of the firm of Enoch Morgan's Sons.

Mr. Brent Good is another governor whose large business experience will be of value in the Board meetings. He is a capitalist, and skilled in the handling of financial problems, such as frequently confront the Board of Governors of such a large club as the New York A. C. In addition, he is a well-known clubman, and thoroughly in touch with club life in all its phases.

Mr. Samuel T. Shaw is known to most members of the Club through his proficiency in fencing. He has placed many championships to the credit of the New York A. C., and has been a prominent patron of the sport in many ways. The Shaw Cup presented by him to the Amateur Fencers' League and held by the New York A. C. team is the most artistic trophy in the possession of the Club. Mr. Shaw is one of the proprietors of the Grand Union Hotel. He has for years been a member of the Art Committee, and has always been a most enthusiastic and capable worker in the interests of the Club.

Mr. Roland B. Molineux is another representative of the athletic interests of the Club. He is one of the best amateur gymnasts that the Club has in its ranks, and for years carried the Club colors to victory in the horizontal bar championship. He is a well-known club man, but has resigned his interests in other clubs to devote himself entirely to the New York A. C., which he represented with such success in competition.

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## NEW MEMBERS.

NEARLY one hundred and twenty new members were elected to the Club last month. At this rate the new clubhouse will scarcely be opened before the full membership will be obtained, and a waiting list established for the first time since the limit of resident membership was raised to twenty-five hundred. The following were elected at two meetings last month:

LIFE.

Lloyd Collis, George Crocker, John J. Gunther, G. C. Henry, Thomas L. Reynolds, W. H. Wheelock, Robert J. Ferns, Ellis G. Potter, John W. O'Connor and Alexander V. Fraser.

RESIDENT.

William S. Adams, James M. Bell, Howard K. Burras, Edward S. Burns, C. T. Blenel, Thomas J. Campbell, William P. Clyde, T. F. Clark, Samuel E. Duffey; Thomas J. Dunn, C. Doscher, J. J. Eakins, William B. Ellison, F. W. Foos, Charles H. Fish, T. F. Forrest, Herman A. Friese, J. S. Frelinghuysen, Edward N. G. Greene, Daniel Gerard, Edward Grafmueller, Bernhard Greeff, Jr., Paul Halpin, Ralph K. Hubbard, Dr. Frank Hartley, Addison G. Hanan, John L. Jordan, G. L. Johnstone, Philip B. Jennings, A. A. Kearney, Frank M. Kelley, Alfred W. Kiddle, David W. Kearney, John R. Keim, F. W. Lyon, Harry E. Lee, Harrison B.

Moore, Jr., Roland H. Mechtold, Alfred H. Marsh, Henry Martin, Joseph F. Mulqueen, John B. McDonald, R. L. Miles, J. M. O'Brien, Cornelius S. Pinkney, Henry C. Piercy, Frank K. Quin, Marcus Rosenkrans, John D. Roche, Alfred L. Simonson, Duncan M. Stewart, Henry J. Swift, Perez M. Stewart, Edward W. Scott, William M. Savin, H. L. Stoddard, Vincent J. Slattery, Arthur W. Teele, Thomas Tavenor, John M. Tierney, Byron Travers, Philip Van Volkenburgh, Peter R. Wheeler, Gilbert C. Wood, Dr. William E. Wooderd, Dr. S. F. Wilcox, George E. Bellamy, William Rogers, J. B. Lyman, Maurice J. Power, Charles P. Armstrong, Jr., John Barron Niles, John J. Harrington, A. Kreamer, Thomas N. Jarvis, Frederick Olson, John W. Houston, George F. Johnson, Jr., Frederick Johnson, George F. Johnson, George B. McHarvey, Francis H. Boland, John Martin Boland, W. S. Blake, Henry M. Ward, Charles H. Smith, Herbert Gresham, E. C. Meeker, E. St. John Hays, H. Dalton Newcomb, Frederick S. Gibbs, Thomas O'Reilly, John Furlong, Joseph J. O'Donohue, Egerton Chichester, Edward Meinel and George A. Newman, Jr.

NON-RESIDENT.

Clarence M. Busch, Leon Gardiner, William A. Marburg, Joseph O'Mara, James Richens, Jr., and John Sevier.

## THE ANNUAL ELECTION.

THAT the Nominating Committee had overlooked a valued member of the old Board in preparing the regular ticket was evident on the night of the annual election. The friends of James H. Haslin rallied in great style to rectify the error, and the independent ticket, with his name as a candidate, received an emphatic indorsement. A casual glance at the result reveals the fact that a number of his most enthusiastic supporters voted for Mr. Haslin only, while the regular ticket received a very meagre share of the votes. In all 597 votes were cast, and of these the Independent candidate received 551. Considering there were no vital issues at stake, and the opposition was limited to one governor, the large number of votes cast was surprising. It is not only an evidence of Mr. Haslin's popularity, but denotes the active interest taken in Club affairs by the members. The following were elected officers and governors:

President,

JAMES WHITELY.

| Vice-President, | Secretary, |
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| THOMAS L. WATSON. | JOHN C. GULICK. |
| **Treasurer,** | **Captain,** |
| CHARLES E. GOODHUE. | ROBERT C. FISHER. |

Governors for Two Years:

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| BRENT GOOD, | ROLAND B. MOLINEUX, |
| DOUGLAS HENRY, | JAMES D. FOOT, |
| BARTOW S. WEEKS, | ALBERT J. MORGAN, |
| SAMUEL T. SHAW, | JAMES H. HASLIN. |

## THE "BLACK MIKADO."

THE Entertainment Committee announce the eighth annual amateur performance to take place on Monday, February 21, 1898, at 8 p. m., at the Carnegie Music Hall, Fifty-seventh street and Seventh avenue. The boxes will be sold at auction on Saturday evening, February 5th, in the Club gymnasium during the vaudeville performance of that date. Sixty-four boxes, seating eight persons each, to be sold; upset prices $25.

Seats will be on sale at the office of the Club. Members can obtain tickets only at the Club office. The following are the prices:

Boxes, upset price, $25.

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Dress circle, reserved, $1.50.

Balcony, $1.

A burlesque of the opera of "Mikado," in black, will be presented, and an eminently satisfactory performance is assured.

Three rooms, seating 400 people, are at the disposal of our guests. By applying to the Entertainment Committee not later than Saturday, February 19th, tables can be reserved for parties desiring supper. T. Hamilton Burch, chairman Entertainment Committee.

ON Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays there will be cross-country runs from Travers Island. The pace will be slow, and recruits will be welcome.

# Our Official Bulletin.

Attention is called to the Fact that Official Notices will be published only in the Journal and under this Heading.

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**ENTERTAINMENT.**

**February 21—"The Black Mikado," at Carnegie Music Hall.**

**HOCKEY.**

**February 8—New York A. C. vs. St. Nicholas S. C., at St. Nicholas Rink.**

**February 17—New York A. C. vs. Brooklyn Skating Club, at Clermont Avenue Rink.**

**BOWLING.**

**February 9—New York A. C. vs. Elizabeth A. C., on New York A. C. Alleys.**

**February 19—New York A. C. vs. Jersey City A. C., on New York A. C. Alleys.**

**CROSS-COUNTRY.**

**February 12—Paper Chase from Travers Island, arrival of 10:45 a. m. train.**

**February 22—Paper Chase from Travers Island, arrival of 10:45 a. m. train.**

**HAND TENNIS.**

**February 7—Hand Tennis Tournament commences.**

**CREW DINNER.**

**February 11—Tenth Annual Crew Dinner, at Travers Island, arrival of 6:15 p. m. train.**

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NOTICES have been sent to all Club oarsmen, past and present, of the Tenth Annual crew dinner, which will be held at Travers Island on Friday, February 11th, the eve of Lincoln's Birthday. The recipients of notices will facilitate the work of the committee in charge by notifying at once whether they intend to be present or not, as the time for making arrangements is limited. Communications should be sent to Edwin J. Keane, chairman.

MEMBERS who contemplate taking out a life membership will benefit themselves materially by securing the same before March 1st. By doing so they will obviate the payment of the semi-annual dues payable at that time. The cost of a life membership to a resident member is $400, and by taking the membership out before March 1st it is practically reduced to $375 by the saving of dues.

The dues of resident members elected during February will commence March 1.

IT is a matter for congratulation that a purchaser for the old clubhouse materialized at the time the Club was in a position to move into its new quarters. The sale to the Democratic Club was concluded on most advantageous terms. One hundred and ninety thousand dollars was the sale price, of which $125,000 remains on mortgage. The sum of $10,000 was paid on the signing of the contract, and the remaining $55,000, constituting the equity of the Club, is to be paid in cash on February 7th.

The Club will retain possession for a month from that date by paying the Democratic Club a rental of 5 per cent on the purchase price.

MRS. CAROLINE R. THOMAS has presented to the Club a statue of Nydia, by Randolph Rogers, in memory of her son, Heyward G. Meeker, deceased, late a member of the Club. The statue will be suitably inscribed, and will help to adorn the new clubhouse.

## "MIKADO" GOSSIP.

HAVE you ordered your seats for the New York A. C. burlesque production of the best opera Gilbert and Sullivan ever gave us? It is not egotism that prompts the opinion that we are going to improve on the original. As law-abiding citizens, for good and sufficient reasons there will be no sale at the box-office on the night of the show. Members who are personally known to the committee, or who present their membership tickets on that eventful night, will be taken care of and at least "passed in," but, to be sure you are right, "go ahead" and secure seats for yourselves and your friends at the clubhouse office. Don't be afraid of seats that are way back. The acoustic properties of the music hall are so perfect that every word can be heard from the last row, and the scenic effect is best from that part of the house. Written orders have been filled in the order received; then, first come first served, and absolutely no favoritism shown.

On February 5th, during the Smoking Concert on that evening, the boxes will be sold at auction. Upset price, $25. Mr. Bartow S. Weeks, our genial governor, ex-president, ex-captain, "Club Pooh Bah," in fact, has kindly volunteered to be auctioneer. About his noble brow will shine a wreath of success, and around his limber silver tongue will twine the seductive eloquence that will make the boxes go like hot cakes. Don't miss being there, and remember, please, that the committee is full of troubles of its own, and carrying so much "weight for age," cannot add to its burden even the weight of one straw of your "kick" because you wanted a box and failed to be on hand at the sale and secure it.

Arrangements have been made with the restaurant in the Carnegie building to serve suppers after the performance. Members so desiring can have tables reserved by notifying the Entertainment Committee, stating how many places are wanted. Now will you be good? Don't forget the date—Monday evening, February 21, 1898, in the Carnegie Music Hall, Fifty-seventh street and Seventh avenue, at 8 o'clock. The Broadway cable car management have kindly made arrangements to have cars stop at the door, though you may come in your family carriage if you so desire. Every member of the cast has a charming singing voice, and the carefully trained chorus will make you forget home and mother. Herculean efforts will be made to secure your comfort and assure a charming entertainment, and if pink lemonade and other seasonable and proper delicacies are not served between the acts it will be because we are proud and haughty on account of moving into our new palace of a home so soon after this trouble is over—Selah.

## THE JACOBY TESTIMONIAL.

THE entertainment promoted by the fencers of the New York A. C. for the benefit of the family of the late instructor, H. A. Jacoby, took place in the gymnasium on January 29th. One of the most finished and interesting entertainments ever held in the clubhouse resulted, but, unfortunately, the attendance was by no means so large as the occasion deserved.

The painstaking efforts of the committee in charge netted a sum of $500 for the fund. Should there be any further contributions the committee will be pleased to receive them.

Dr. Graeme M. Hammond acted as master of ceremonies at the testimonial performance and introduced the following:

GRAND SALUTE.

Prof. Gouspy, Maitre d'Armes N. Y. A. C., and Prof. Vauthier, Maitre d'Armes Fencers' Club, N Y.

FOILS.

Charles G. Bothner, N. Y. A. C., vs. Fitzhugh Townsend, Fencers' Club.

DUELING SWORDS.

Dr. Claiborne, Fencers' Club, vs. Samuel T. Shaw, N. Y. A. C.

WRESTLING.

H. Leonard vs. M. R. Snyder.

SABRES.

Prof. Koch vs. Frank Slazenger.

FOILS.

Prof. Gouspy vs. Prof Vauthier.

CLUB-SWINGING.

Henry Lang.

BOXING.

Arthur Donovan vs. Hayward Donovan, sons of Mike.

FOILS.

James Murray, Instructor N. Y. A. C., vs. Fitzhugh Townsend.

SABRE VS. BAYONET.

Prof. Koch vs. Charles Bothner.

WRESTLING.

H. Leonard vs. C. W. Turner.

JAPANESE STICKS.

Samuel T. Shaw vs Chas. Tatham, Fencers' Club.

## BOWLING.

REMARKABLE success has crowned the efforts of the bowling team during January. At the end of the month a record of eleven games won out of twelve played in the Athletic League stood to their credit, and the single game was lost by a margin of only two pins. From a position among the tail-enders, the team has rapidly risen, until it assumed the lead, with excellent prospects of retaining it until the end of the series.

Only two more clubs remain to be rolled against, and both of the matches will be rolled upon the Club alleys. The rooters will undoubtedly be out in force to stimulate the bowlers when they meet the Elizabeth A. C. on February 9th, as the result of the championship will be assured if three straight games are won that night. The final games of the series will be rolled against the Jersey City A. C. on February 19th.

In the Harlem Republican League also, the team has an excellent chance of winning the tournament. The following are the scores for the past month:

### ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

New York A. C. vs. Montclair Club, Montclair Club Alleys, Jan. 7, 1898.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brown | 180 | 172 | 158 |
| Bell | 179 | 214 | 142 |
| Wilmarth | 146 | 158 | 178 |
| Toussaint | 196 | 146 | 178 |
| Cowp'hw't | 165 | 172 | 179 |
| | 866 | 862 | 835 |

| Montclair Club. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Thompson | 141 | 188 | 140 |
| Lockwood | 145 | 145 | 169 |
| Berrian | 165 | 143 | 117 |
| Croker | 157 | 163 | 121 |
| Snyder | 150 | 158 | 134 |
| | 758 | 797 | 681 |

New York A. C. vs. Knickerbocker A. C., New York A. C. Alleys, Jan. 13, 1898.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 182 | 172 | 161 |
| Bell | 199 | 180 | 156 |
| Brown | 190 | 197 | 156 |
| Toussaint | 186 | 200 | 200 |
| Cowp'thw't | 149 | 143 | 158 |
| | 906 | 892 | 831 |

| Knickerbocker A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brower | 156 | 146 | 158 |
| Offord | 170 | 139 | 134 |
| Cole | 164 | 161 | 129 |
| Headley | 141 | 172 | 172 |
| Johnson | 151 | 185 | 169 |
| | 782 | 803 | 762 |

New York A. C. vs. North End Club, North End Alleys, Jan 17, 1898.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 169 | 183 | 172 |
| Bell | 146 | 203 | 161 |
| Brown | 181 | 174 | 147 |
| Toussaint | 176 | 163 | 220 |
| Cowp'thw't | 188 | 164 | 156 |
| | 860 | 887 | 856 |

| North End Club. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cadiz | 154 | 164 | 167 |
| Booth | 176 | 168 | 224 |
| Castle | 171 | 172 | 160 |
| Taylor | 181 | 190 | 165 |
| Olozaga | 170 | 165 | 142 |
| | 852 | 859 | 858 |

New York A. C. vs. Columbia Club, New York A. C. Alleys, Jan. 25, 1898.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 133 | 150 | 132 |
| Bell | 157 | 185 | 168 |
| Brown | 171 | 182 | 139 |
| Toussaint | 201 | 181 | 184 |
| Cowp'thw't | 175 | 168 | 127 |
| | 837 | 866 | 750 |

| Columbia Club. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Storm | 152 | 136 | 114 |
| Starr | 164 | 145 | 138 |
| Kimball | 164 | 142 | 156 |
| Keller | 169 | 176 | 181 |
| Lenly | 159 | 172 | 129 |
| | 808 | 771 | 718 |

### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

| | W. | L. | H.Sc. |
|---|---|---|---|
| New York A. C. | 22 | 11 | 940 |
| Elizabeth A. C. | 21 | 12 | 961 |
| Roseville A. A. | 20 | 13 | 982 |
| North End | 19 | 14 | 960 |
| Jersey City | 17 | 13 | 963 |
| Columbia | 14 | 16 | 942 |
| Knickerb'r A. C. | 8 | 22 | 882 |
| Montclair | 5 | 25 | 916 |

### HARLEM REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

New York A. C. vs. Kismet B. C., February 1.

| New York A. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carter | 179 | 167 | 179 |
| Bell | 148 | 159 | 177 |
| Wilmarth | 194 | 158 | 176 |
| Brown | 148 | 176 | 149 |
| Cowp'thw't | 199 | 146 | 197 |
| | 868 | 806 | 876 |

| Kismet B. C. | 1st Game | 2d Game | 3d Game |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wustlich | 214 | 167 | 163 |
| V'nderbog't | 183 | 155 | 189 |
| Du Barry | 140 | 206 | 181 |
| Anderson | 126 | 160 | 134 |
| Rogers | 212 | 179 | 168 |
| | 875 | 867 | 835 |

### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

| | W. | L. | H.Sc. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lotus | 12 | 6 | 939 |
| Phoenix 1 | 10 | 5 | 981 |
| N. Y. A. C | 9 | 6 | 876 |
| Madison | 13 | 8 | 889 |
| Phoenix 2 | 10 | 8 | 920 |
| Winsor 1 | 10 | 8 | 912 |
| N. Y. B. C. | 10 | 8 | 904 |
| Standard | 8 | 7 | 934 |
| Prospect | 9 | 9 | 921 |
| Windsor 2 | 8 | 10 | 877 |
| Kismet | 9 | 12 | 935 |
| Knickerbocker | 6 | 12 | 917 |
| Hamilton | 3 | 18 | 879 |

## OBITUARY.

MR. LAWRENCE F. WILSON died January 26, 1898.

MR. OBED WHEELER died January 31, 1898.

## MILEAGE.

A MARKED falling off is noticeable in the mileage records for last year. This is by no means an indication that the interest in wheeling has decreased, or that there are fewer bicyclists in the Club now than in 1895 or 1896. On the contrary, there are considerably more riders, as the number of wheels kept in the cycle and city houses testify. The craving for big mileage records is, however, on the decline, and the majority of Club wheelmen are content to use their machines for enjoyment only. There were nearly twice as many claimants of mileage prizes for the season of 1896, while the "mileage fiends" of 1895 were nearly three times as abundant as those of 1897. This result, which may almost be styled desirable, has been partially brought about by increasing the standard for a bronze medal from 1,000 to 2,000 miles.



P. B. MATTHEWS.

Although the highest mileage of the year is about 5,000 miles less than in each of the two previous years, the competition for the five prizes offered by Dr. Seneca D. Powell has been none the less interesting.

Two of the leading divisions failed to observe the conditions required to qualify for the Powell prizes, and the Bicycle Committee has awarded them to the following: P. B. Matthews, first; E. J. Benson, second; Charles K. Alley, third; H. C. Bullard, fourth, and W. G. Bates, fifth.

Mr. P. B. Matthews, who won the high mileage prize, rolled up a formidable score, considering that he did not commence riding until May 1st. The following is the complete list of mileage recorded:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| P. B. Matthews... | 7,875 | E. McIntyre, Jr... | 3,251 |
| I. F. Mead..... | 7,000 | F. C. Thomas..... | 3,234 |
| E. J. Benson..... | 6,830 | W. H. Hays..... | 3,100 |
| Charles K. Alley.. | 6,325 | G. H. Cisco..... | 3,028 |
| H. C. Bullard..... | 6,199 | S. C. Hicks..... | 3,005 |
| F. A. Myrick..... | 6,188 | Lewis C. Smith... | 3,001 |
| Wm. G. Bates..... | 6,037 | George Stone..... | 3,000 |
| James B. Post.... | 5,994 | W. Everett Smith. | 2,555 |
| J. H. Hanson..... | 5,685 | John C. Gulick.... | 2,445¾ |
| J. C. Howard..... | 5,423 | C. F. Dellinger.... | 2,283¼ |
| W. R. Stewart.... | 5,353¼ | Richard Nelson... | 2,175 |
| M. F. Plant..... | 5,233 | Wesley F. Smith.. | 2,159 |
| Hugh D. Wise.... | 5,177¼ | Douglas Henry .. | 2,148 |
| H. J. Farrington.. | 5,047 | Dr. W. W. Gilfillan | 2,093 |
| N. S. Towner..... | 5,018 | F. E. Faulkner.... | 2,086 |
| A. W. W. Evans.. | 4,169 | F. W. Kitching... | 2,082 |
| E. F. Schenck.... | 3,890 | Wallace F. Peck.. | 2,081 |
| Frank C. Elgar... | 3,481 | F. L. Slazenger... | 2,081 |
| H. C. M. Conkling | 3,370 | C. C. Ramsey..... | 2,000 |
| W. K. Gillett..... | 3,322 | | |

MILEAGE FOR PAST SIX YEARS.

| | Number riders. | Total mileage. | | Highest individual. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1892.... | 18 | 36,193 | T. E. Belts..... | 3,618 |
| 1893.... | 28 | 60,000 | T. E. Belts..... | 5,668 |
| 1894.... | 47 | 106,172 | C. L. Jones..... | 6,473 |
| 1895.... | 104 | 248,634 | J. B. Yates..... | 12,632 |
| 1896.... | 74 | 216,608 | Dr. F. A. Myrick. | 12,846 |
| 1897.... | 39 | 155,424½ | P. B. Matthews... | 7,875 |

A LEAGUE of amateur baseball teams will play for the championship next season under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Union. With the A. A. U. in control, there will no longer be room for recriminations and insinuations as to the violation of amateur principles which followed defeat in some instances last season.

The New York A. C. will be represented by a team in the League. Members desiring to try for places on either the first or second nine will please send their names to F. M. Hausling, chairman Baseball Committee.

THE rehearsals of the "Mikado" promise the most successful entertainment from an artistic standpoint in the history of the Club, and this should help assure its success from a financial standpoint.

## STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR 1898.

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## THE BLACK MIKADO.

THOSE who failed to see the performance of "Mikado" missed a treat. Every one who went was delighted with the smooth, even work that was almost up to a professional standard. The chorus was trained to a high degree of perfection, and the principals won most warm and enthusiastic applause. While the music of the opera was sung "straight," the book had been tampered with in a way calculated to break Mr. Gilbert's heart, but it had to be done in order to give the artists a chance to "knock" a few of the dear Club chappies. "Bob" Webb, who looked very sweet as Yum Yum (though a trifle overweight), took several opportunities to talk about people before their faces, and Ko Ko simply "didn't do a thing" to a whole lot of the good fellows when he sang his "Got Him on the List."

The reference to our worthy president s being very modest and an athlete withal, brought a blush of pleasure to his face. When General Watson was called a yachtsman right before everybody, he gave his trousers a hitch and said to his box party: "Come on board after this evening's cruise and I'll blow you off."

Secretary Gulick caressed his whiskers when touching reference was made to them. Howard Frothingham admitted that it was fair to call him a hustler, but said he *never* swore off. "Jack" Wilson says he wants to meet the man who called him a "sorrel-top." "Jack" says his hair is not red; it's blond. "Tom" Deeley and other members of the band *looked* cross when their names were mentioned, and pretended that they didn't like it, but they did. A great many in the audience caught the point at once, when a loud noise was accounted for as an explosion of one of Arthur Moore's waistcoats.

The audience was a representative one, and their close attention and warm applause evidenced their interest and pleasure. Among the many opinions expressed on the way out, the following were a few:

"What a graceful fellow Nanki Pooh is, and what a sweet voice he has." "Macy is the best Ko Ko I ever saw." "Didn't Yum Yum look sweetly pretty, the dear fat thing—too bad that on account of that heavy cold we did not hear 'The Moon and I' sung as only she (or he) can sing it."

It is generally conceded that the opera was rehearsed to a condition seldom attained by any but professionals. A prominent theatrical man who was there said he never saw a better "*first night.*" That's all the committee could do, and if it happened that the club didn't make a lot of money, why, it was because the club members didn't buy seats and boxes enough. See?

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## CHAMPION IRWIN A. POWELL.

THE performances of Irwin A. Powell, of the New York A. C., during the season of 1897, fully justify the claim of his friends that be has earned the distinction of being the fastest amateur rider in America, an honor to which there are at least half a dozen claimants.

Powell competed at thirty-four race meets in 1897, failing to score in only three, his total being 31 firsts, 17 seconds and 7 thirds. He began the season well by winning both open events, and securing second in the handicap at the famous Quill Club's spring meet. In fact, he won every open race (five in all) at their spring and fall games.

For the second time Powell led the New York State circuit in number of points scored by amateurs (F. Ed. Spooner's table, 1897). At the end of the season he had placed to his credit the following championships:

| | |
|---|---|
| 1 mile. Columbia-Princeton | 2 miles..L. A. W. National |
| ½ mile....Inter Collegiate | 1 mile...A. A. U. National |
| 1 mile. Tandem In.-Colleg. | 5 miles. L. A. W. Metro't'n. |
| ½ mile....New York State | |

Powell has competed with the very best riders in his races, and has defeated every crack amateur of America, who has ridden in the East, many more times than any one of them has beaten him, as is shown by the following table, which is made up of firsts won and lost, counting scratch races and handicaps when both riders rode from scratch:

| | Won. | Lost. | To— |
|---|---|---|---|
| Powell..... | 9 | 6 | Hausmann. |
| " ..... | 4 | 2 | Johnson. |
| " ..... | 5 | 2 | Blake. |
| " ..... | 18 | 8 | Dawson |
| " ..... | 5 | 1 | Peabody. |
| " ..... | 6 | 1 | Ertz. |
| " ..... | 8 | 1 | Collett. |
| " ..... | 8 | 1 | Reith. |

## HOCKEY.

THE tie game between the New York A. C. and St. Nicholas S. C. hockey teams will be played off on February 8th at the St. Nicholas Rink. The championship largely depends upon the result of this game, and members should turn out in force to encourage our team. The St. Nicholas adherents will certainly muster in force, and in a game where snap and vigorous play are at a premium, victory often depends in a measure on the enthusiasm with which a team is supported. Those who have seen the game of hockey played will need no urging to attend what promises to be the best game of the season, while members who attend and "root" for the first time are sure to come away infatuated with the sport.

Up to the present time the Club team has not lost a game this season, the game in which the Hockey Club protested the winning goal made by the New York A. C. having been decided in our favor.

It is probable that the team to play against the St. Nicholas Club will be strengthened by the addition of F. S. Wonham, one of last year's champion seven, who has not played in a match this season.

The only championship game played last month was against the Montclair A. C. on January 19th, in which the New York A. C. team won in easy fashion.

The score:

| N. Y. A. C. | Positions. | Montclair A. C. |
|---|---|---|
| Macrae | Goal | Jacobus |
| Spaulding | Point | Williams |
| Fenwick | Cover point | Ewing |
| Wallace | Forwards | Koehler |
| Belden | | Hart |
| Bogert | | G. Hornfeck |
| Baird | | M. Hornfeck |

Score—New York A. C., 2; Montclair A. C., 1.
Goals—Fenwick, 2; M. Hornfeck, 1.
Referee—H. W. Slocum, St. Nicholas S. C.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

| | Won. | Lost. |
|---|---|---|
| New York A. C | 3 | 0 |
| St. Nicholas S. C | 3 | 0 |
| Hockey Club of N. Y | 2 | 2 |
| Brooklyn S. C | 1 | 3 |
| Montclair A. C | 4 | 0 |

## N. Y. A. C. VS. COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

THE New York A. C.'s hockey team defeated the Columbia University seven on February 29th at the St. Nicholas Rink by a score of 6 to 1. The feature of the play was a lift the entire length of the rink by Fenwick, which scored a goal. The goal that Columbia made was scored by Belden in the second half.

The line-up:

| Columbia. | Positions. | N. Y. A. C. |
|---|---|---|
| Roberts | Goal | Macrae |
| Williams | Point | Radcliffe |
| Belden (Capt.) | Cover point | Fenwick (Capt.) |
| DeForest | Forwards | Smyth |
| Henderson | | Wallace |
| Van Voorhis | | Bogert |
| Pell | | Baird |

Goals—Fenwick, 3; Wallace, 2; Baird, 1; Belden, 1.

## ROWING.

THERE is no lack of material from which to select a Junior eight-oared crew to represent the Club in the race for the Koch Cup on Decoration Day. Quality, as well as quantity, is a conspicuous feature this year, and the outlook for a successful eight is most promising. It is not probable that the crew, when selected, will be as heavy as last year's winning eight, but the applicants for positions in the boat are an unusually athletic set apparently, possessing the snap and vigor necessary for the formation of a first-class crew. A candidate who is trying for a seat is Southback, the stroke of last year's Columbia Freshmen crew. P. H. Bailey, captain of the Yale 'Varsity crew, who also rowed in the Yale-Henley crew, has been in attendance, and will try for a place in the boat if his business permits. The crew practices in the gymnasium three times a week. The men are taken in squads and row in the machine for an hour and a half. Then light dumb-bell exercises, consisting of twelve movements, is gone through, and the work concluded with the Swedish leg movements for abdominal and back muscles.

The names and weights of the candidates are:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Walsh | 178 | Arnold | 185 |
| Griffin | 160 | Morris | 180 |
| Frank | 165 | Carleton | 155 |
| Britton | 170 | Wood | 153 |
| Appleton | 170 | Anderson | 160 |
| Freshman | 145 | Lyon | 148 |
| Campbell | 160 | Lyon | 140 |
| Wallace | 138 | Cobb | 158 |
| Watters | 145 | Southack | 148 |
| Zinn | 160 | | |

## JANUARY VISITORS.

| Guest. | Residence. | Introduced by. |
|---|---|---|
| Geo. E. Hall, | San Francisco, Cal., | Chas. L. Burnham. |
| Capt. John M'K. Davis, | U. S. A. | E. S. Thomson. |
| James D. Ireland, | New Haven, Ct., | J. de C. Ireland. |
| Gen. C. W. Tillinghast, | Albany, N. Y., | J. F. Doyle, Jr. |
| Col. Albert J. Meyers, | Albany, N. Y., | J. F. Doyle, Jr. |
| G. S. Managin, | Detroit, Mich., | Henry Thornton. |
| L. C. Stillings, | Boston, Mass., | R. Sheldon. |
| M. G. Siddall, | Chicago, Ill., | R. S. Foster. |
| W. E. Jenkins, | St. Louis, Mo., | F. K. Seggermann. |
| L. W. Shinn, | San Francisco, Cal., | George R. McLeod. |
| E. Meirel, | Rochester, N. Y., | W. H. Lee. |
| John F. Marsh, | London, Eng., | Lyman Brown. |
| George R. Thorne, | Chicago, Ill., | Chicago A. A. |
| Dr. W. H. Haines, | Allegheny, Pa., | Frank S. Gerrish. |
| Samuel G. Buckbee, | San Francisco, Cal. | W. L. Sexton. |
| Lieut. E. L. Butts, | | T. J. O'Donohue. |
| William T. Bull, | Newport, R. I., | G. S. Wallace. |
| Edward A. Greene, | Boston, Mass., | R. A. Greene. |
| Dennis Strout, | Kansas City, Mo., | H. O'Donoghue. |
| T. T. Read, | Fairfax, Va., | John Habirshaw. |
| George A. Dounce, | Adrian, Mich., | E. S. Terry. |
| Dr. Geo. M. Tuttle, | St. Louis, Mo., | Geo. E. Lyon. |
| Wm. Armstrong, | Philadelphia, Pa., | J. W. Herbert. |
| T. H. Scott, | St. Louis, Mo., | H. M. Clark. |
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SOME TIME this month the chiefs of the Huckleberry Indians will have a dinner in the clubhouse. The festivities are arranged to take a fitting farewell of the old clubhouse and to lay plans for the summer campaign.

THE annual bicycle dinner, which usually takes place in February, will be held this year in the new clubhouse, where better facilities will be afforded.

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The blooming boat and sink her.

HAND tennis experts have been earnestly practicing in the gymnasium in anticipation of the Club championship tournament, which is scheduled to commence on February 7th. The competition will be scratch, and so evenly are the contestants matched that it is impossible to predict the winner.

SWIMMING Instructor Gus Sundstrom has a larger class of members' sons attending the Saturday morning sessions in the bath than ever before. W. W. Swan and T. H. Burch still retain the honor of being the most expert of the youngsters, while W. H. Evans, who has just commenced his practice, has the record of being the youngest boy to take instructions.

INSTRUCTOR Leonard's wrestling class grows apace. Since the season commenced on January 1st, eighty members have joined the class. The Club championship will not be decided until the new house is occupied, when some interesting contests are expected, as many pupils have developed into championship form since last season.

WHEN the applications for seats at the "Mikado" performance were examined, the committee was gratified to find that the advance sale was the largest on record. Prior to the placing of the seats on sale more than $700 worth were ordered.

## PERSONALS.

A GOOD story is going the rounds among the friends of Mr. R. H. Halstead, of the very practical joke he played on the keeper of a well-known downtown cafe. He sauntered in after the Exchange closed and called for three "tin-roof cocktails." "You have me, Mr. Halstead," replied the proprietor. "I'm afraid I can't make them for you." "Well, hand me the bottles," said Dick, and he proceeded to mix up three cocktails, which bore a strong resemblance to the common or garden Manhattan. After the drinks had been disposed of, the proprietor with pardonable curiosity said: "Excuse me, Mr. Halstead, what is a tin roof?" "Oh," nonchalantly remarked the joker, "It's on the house," and the victim said "Have another?"

MR. JOHN F. BAUDOUINE established a coaching record from Travers Island to the city clubhouse on January 12th, when in bad weather he covered the distance in 1 h. 17 min. Two relays of horses were used, the change being effected at Westchester in 65 sec. The party who participated in the record-breaking trip were Dr. T. Hamilton Burch, Eric Edholm, George P. Lies and C. Warren Fisher.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY has been thoroughly explored during the winter by a Junior Fresh Air Club. Among the members who tramp in the vicinity every Sunday are R. W. Rathborne, J. W. Spalding, J. A. Miller, E. J. Keane, R. R. Wallace and Mortimer Bishop. Ernest Thorpe also joins the party on particularly fine days.

WITH the thermometer at 5 degrees above zero, Sunday, January 30th, was more fit for sleighing than cycling. Several members, however, sought to create a cold weather record by riding to Travers Island. Mr. F. G. Bourne, arrived there with frozen feet and a large amount of experience relating to riding in arctic weather.

MR. W. E. DICKEY was interrupted in the performance of his duties as amateur stage manager of the "Black Mikado" by a summons to San Domingo. He will probably return in time to take part in the first water-polo match of the season.

SOME very pretty houses are being built on the property adjoining Travers Island. They will prove a boon to those desiring residences for their families in the vicinity of the island.

"WHY go to the Klondike?" said Walter Wilson, when he found a 10-cent piece in the dining room of the new clubhouse, while prospecting on the last Sunday in January.

MR. ED. KEARNEY has received the freedom of the yacht Klinker, and will be welcomed by the syndicate owners at Travers Island next summer.

MR. SIMEON FORD was one of the speakers at the Hotel Men's dinner, and, as usual, convulsed the audience with his humorous remarks.

MR. O. VAN CORTLANDT is at Rockport, Tex., on a shooting exhibition. He is killing an average of forty red-head ducks a day.

MR. EVART JANSEN WENDELL sailed for Europe early in January. He will be absent until May.

MR. ERNEST STAPLES has been taking his winter vacation in Florida.

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MEMBERS are reminded that the 6-per-cent debenture bonds issued to provide for the furnishing of the new clubhouse are not all subscribed for. The Building and Finance Committee has labored heroically to overcome the many difficulties attending the building of our new home, and it only remains for the rank and file of the members to do their part by subscribing for these bonds, and aiding in the filling of the membership roll.

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THE progress of the "Mikado" rehearsals has been greatly facilitated through the kindness of Messrs. Norris & Hyde, who furnished the piano and room for the purpose gratuitously.

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## PROPOSALS.

STATIONERY—Estimates are invited for supplying new club stationery. Particulars may be obtained by addressing Office and Auditing Committee.

CLUB JOURNAL—The contract for publishing the N. Y. A. C. JOURNAL expires with this number. Proposals should be submitted to the Journal Committee before February 17th.

PROGRAMMES—Estimates for publishing the spring and fall programmes will be received by the Athletic Committee.

# HOCKEY MATCH.

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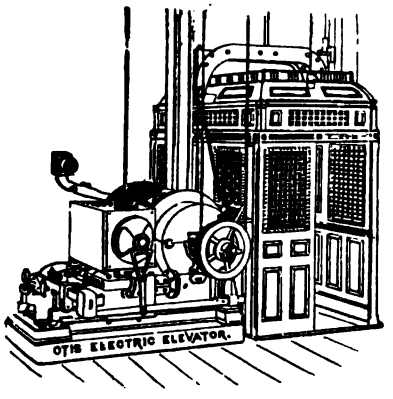
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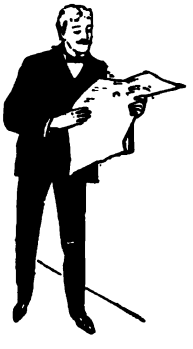
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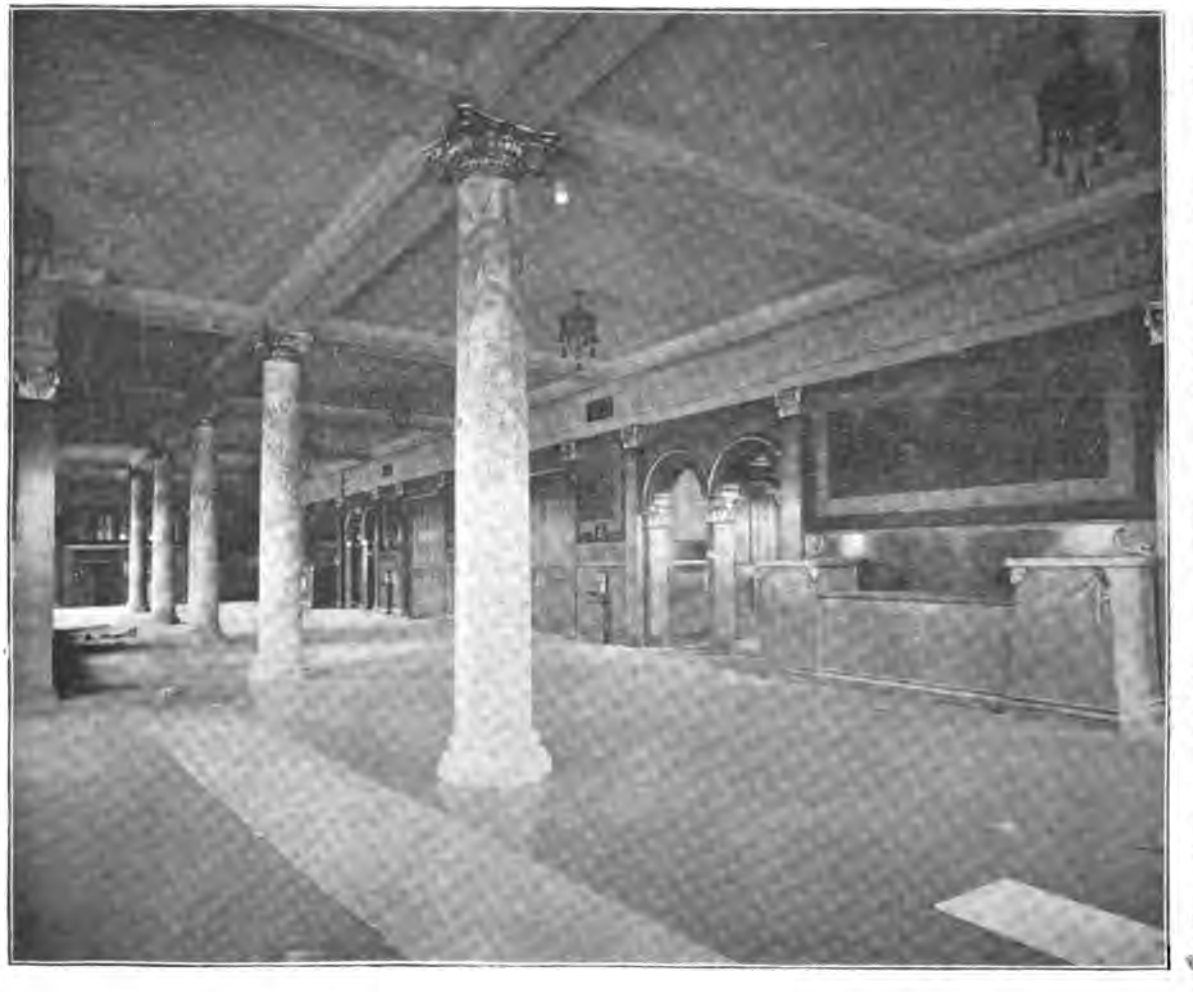
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